

Would pink fittings go with my grey walls?

Take the guessing out of bathroom decoration.

Ask us for free professional

advice on
bathroom decoration,
color combinations
and fixtures.



ANBAN TRADING
JEDDAH: 73565-76726
RIYADH: 27758

SAUDI ARABIA'S FIRST ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY

arab news

saudi research and marketing company

VOL. IV NO. 151

SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER 1978 • JEDDAH • 24 MUHARRAM 1399 A.H.

Fresh Always

BULK & BAG CEMENT
ROLACO

TEL: JEDDAH: 51057-54190
DAMMAM: 23-500
RIYADH: 07230

FOURTEEN PAGES — ONE RIYAL

Air crash kills 108 off Sicily

PALEOMO, Sicily, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — At least 108 persons perished Saturday when a nosey flight plunged into choppy seas and broke up and sank near Palermo.

It was Italy's worst air disaster in six years.

There were scenes of panic and pandemonium on board the Alitalia DC-9 airliner which hit the sea at more than 150 kph minutes before it was due to land at the Sicilian capital's airport at about 0100 local (2400 GMT).

The 129 persons on board, mostly Sicilians returning home for the Christmas holiday, were already strapped to their seats ready for landing. Most were trapped and drowned as water gushed into the smashed fuselage which sank in seconds.

Only 21 survivors, some plucked from the sea unconscious, bleeding and with their clothes in shreds, managed to float and struggle free from the wreckage in the darkness.

Trawlers near the scene, some three kilometers from the shore, rushed to the rescue to pick up dead and survivors.

Navy boats, minesweepers and helicopters searched through the night and by midday some 31 dead had been recovered from the sea, leaving 77 in the fuselage on the seabed.

Officials at Palermo's Punta Raisi Airport, scene of Italy's previous worst disaster in May 1972 when 115 people were killed, said they were baffled by the crash.

(Continued on back page)



TREATY NEAR: U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko after their Saturday talks in which many of the issues delaying a new SALT treaty were resolved. (Wire photo)

Differences remain

Vance, Gromyko clear most 'SALT obstacles'

GENEVA, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — The United States and the Soviet Union Saturday resolved most of their differences on a new strategic arms limitation pact and agreed to a summit meeting between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

"In the course of our meetings over the past three days Foreign Minister Gromyko and I have essentially reached agreement on most of the questions on which differences have existed," the statement said.

"We will continue our work on those questions that have

not yet been resolved through our regular diplomatic channels."

"Both sides will do their best in order that the preparation of an agreement for signing may be completed in the near future," Vance said.

Then Vance volunteered the news about the Soviet-American summit conference:

"We are agreed in principle on a meeting of the heads of our two states. The question of timing of such a meeting will be a subject for careful consideration by both sides."

Gromyko acknowledged that the two ministers had spent some time deciding what to say to the press.

Their statement, though positive in tone, clearly leaves open the possibility of additional hard bargaining and showed some continuing uncertainty on when a summit conference might be held.

U.S. sources have talked about such a meeting in January, and more recently for some date in February.

Gromyko was asked if the outstanding issues must be completed before the summit conference is scheduled.

He replied curtly: "they must." But he added, "we intend to complete them."

Neither minister described the nature of the unresolved.

But Gromyko said: "Some of them are important, some of them are matters of the second category."

(Continued on back page)

1/2 million farmers challenge Desai govt.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 23 (R) — Half a million Indian farmers Saturday issued a direct challenge to the government by staging a rally celebrating the 76th birthday of dissident former minister Charan Singh.

The rally diverted attention from the nationwide demonstrations in support of former Premier Indira Gandhi in which 19 people have been killed and about 100,000 arrested since she was jailed by parliament Tuesday.

But Saturday's city center rally, attended by thousands of farmers from all over the country, was clearly intended as a challenge to Prime Minister Moraji Desai—if only because it demonstrated the following enjoyed by Singh.

Desai and Singh fell out earlier this year in a row which culminated in Singh being sacked from his job as home minister.

The rift was sealed in a bitter exchange in parliament Friday in which Singh said he was sacked for demanding a corruption inquiry into Desai's son, Kanti.

Desai was under its tightest-ever security cordon Saturday with 20,000 police and paramilitary personnel, some of them armed with hand grenades and automatic weapons, posted at key points around the city.

As it turned out, the farmers' rally was remarkably disciplined, with no hints of violence.

The rally was seen as something of an anti-climax, with less than half the expected numbers turning out and Singh saying he had no plans to quit the ruling party at the present time.

Reports Saturday indicated that the agitation over Mrs. Gandhi's arrest was gradually subsiding.

Demonstrations were held in many cities and villages of Desai were burnt, but no serious incident of violence was reported.

Mrs. Gandhi, who has also been expelled from parliament, is to be freed after the lower house, which was adjourned Saturday, is prorogued by President Sanjiva Reddy.

The announcement of proroguing the house is expected in the next three or four days.

Singh has denied that his confrontation with the prime minister in parliament Friday meant that he was moving closer to Mrs. Gandhi, although they share similar views on several issues.

Mrs. Gandhi sent him a bouquet of flowers to mark her birthday and one of her closest supporters, the Karnata, posted at key points around the city.

(Continued on back page)

Gunmen fire on Syrian position in West Beirut

BEIRUT, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — unidentified gunmen Saturday fired on a Syrian check point in West Beirut killing one Lebanese civilian and injuring several Syrians, police sources said.

Meanwhile a joint Lebanese-Syrian military investigating team Saturday questioned two suspects arrested in connection with a bomb attack on a Syrian transport truck Friday.

Police sources said at least one soldier was killed and four others wounded in the mysterious remote-controlled blast which damaged the truck on the main Beirut-Damascus highway east of the capital.

Friday's incident coincided with a sniper attack by rightist militiamen on a Syrian army checkpoint in Beirut's eastern suburb of Sit El Fal.

Despite the continued tension between the militiamen and the Syrian troops of the Arab Deterrent Force (ADF) responsibility for Friday's attack was claimed by a previously unheard-of group calling itself the "Movement of Lebanese free will."

In a statement distributed in Paris, the group said the attack was a warning to the Syrians that they are "no longer secure on Lebanese soil."

The U.S. oil executive, who

Sources report

New settlement policy may doom peace talks

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan is pushing a tough new stand on Jewish settlements in occupied Arab lands, casting a shadow on efforts to revive peace negotiations with Egypt, diplomatic sources said Saturday.

Dayan's scheduled dinner with Egyptian Premier Moustapha Khalil and U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance was cancelled because of Vance's delayed arrival from the strategic arms limitation talks in Geneva.

American sources said Vance planned to meet Dayan at 2100 GMT and Khalil an hour later in a bid to revive the stalled Middle East negotiations.

Vance, Dayan and Khalil were scheduled to meet together for breakfast Sunday at a downtown Brussels hotel.

Diplomatic sources said Dayan threw a new element into the negotiations with an uncompromising new stand on Jewish settlements. The sources said Dayan told the foreign ministers of West Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium that Israel intends to build up to 40 new settlements in occupied Arab lands, and expand some already in existence.

Dayan called in Israeli ambassadors from several European countries and told them to prepare public opinion for the settlement policy, the sources said.

"The dialogue should be with the president of the United States or the secretary of state," Khalil said in an interview published Saturday in the Beirut weekly magazine "Monday Morning."

"We are not prepared to enter into a dialogue with junior officials or mediators," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was staying at the same hotel where Vance will be accom-

panied.

Egypt's proposal that terms of the treaty be subjected to revision after five years.

—Egypt's refusal to allow provisions in the peace treaty to suspend earlier mutual defense treaties with other Arab countries.

Khalil flew into Brussels Friday afternoon and headed straight for his hotel, without making any statement. He was staying at the same hotel where Vance will be accom-

panied.

The main points to be set-

ted are:

—Israel's refusal to accept the end of 1979 as a target date for Palestinian elections.

—Egypt's refusal to exchange ambassadors and restore fully normal relations with Israel until establishment of autonomy for the Palestinians.

—Egypt's proposal that terms of the treaty be subjected to revision after five years.

—Egypt's refusal to allow provisions in the peace treaty to suspend earlier mutual defense treaties with other Arab countries.

Khalil was asked if he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic," said Khalil.

Khalil was commenting on a statement made to the same magazine during a recent Middle East trip by U.S. Congressman Paul Findley that he expects the U.S.-PLO dialogue to start in 1979.

"I believe Congressman Findley is overoptimistic

Realtors exceeding fee limits face stiff fine, loss of license

RIYADH, Dec. 23 (SPA)—Profiteering real estate agents in Saudi Arabia face stiff penalties, Deputy Minister of Commerce Yusuf Al-Hamdan said here Saturday.

Agents who exceed the legal brokerage fee of 2.5 per cent or who artificially inflate the value of the transaction may be fined up to SR25,000, Hamdan said. In addition, their

premises may be closed for one year or their operating permit revoked, he said. They will also be obliged to pay back the excess charges to purchasers or tenants.

The ministry is conducting an inquiry into the number of agents now operating in the Kingdom and into charges that agents deliberately misrepresent the purchase price or

rent of buildings and apartments in order to increase their own commission, Hamdan said.

Meanwhile in Jeddah, Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi was quoted as saying Saturday that landlords of vacant residential buildings may be compelled to rent them out or see the state purchase them compulsorily.

There are about 50,000 residential units now lying empty in the city, "Al-Medina" reported the mayor as saying.

Although the supply of housing in Jeddah now exceeds demand, owners of new buildings are demanding exorbitant rents beyond the reach of most Saudis, Farisi said.

One solution would be for the state to purchase all new housing that is empty and allot apartments to the public at reasonable rents, the mayor added.

Meanwhile, Farisi said that the municipality intends to build an ornamental tower on the cost in Ruwais at an estimated cost of SR 100 million, "Al-Bilad" reported Saturday.

Studies have been completed for the tower which will be constructed on a site surrounded by water on three sides, with recreation spots all round to create an attractive environment.

Twenty injured in camel smash

JEDDAH, Dec. 23—Twenty people were injured, none seriously, when a Mercedes truck collided with a camel on the Jeddah to Medina road Friday, "Okaz" reported Saturday.

The truck driver was speeding at night when he saw a stray camel standing in the way, too frightened to move. The driver lost control and hit the beast who was thrown into the air and killed.

The ministry said there are now 1,931 schools in the Kingdom for adult education and literacy courses, with 5,124 classes, 72,235 students, 8,075 teachers and 1,955 employees. The 1978-1979 state budget provides for the opening of 205 new schools with 238 classes, 7,105 students, 445 teachers and 205 employees.

KING'S UNCLE: The late Prince Abdullah ibn Abdul Rahman, owner of the Salam Palace in Riyadh.

RIYADH, Dec. 23 (SPA)—The large palace and garden in the center of Riyadh known as the Qasr Al-Salam (palace of peace) has been allocated by Royal Decree for use as a girls school, the Directorate-General of Women's Education said here Saturday.

The palace and garden cover a 300,000 square meter site in the center of the capital bounded on four sides by main roads. The palace was built by the late Prince Abdullah ibn Abdul Rahman Al-Saud an uncle to King Khalid.

Considerable repair and restoration work is needed before the girls can move in, the directorate general said.

Modern school buildings will be erected in vacant spaces on the site but height restrictions will be observed and none of the Salam's noble palm trees will be damaged or cut down, it said.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Education announced progress in the national literacy drive in the past few years.

The ministry said there are now 1,931 schools in the Kingdom for adult education and literacy courses, with 5,124 classes, 72,235 students, 8,075 teachers and 1,955 employees.

The truck somersaulted several times and landed some way from the road. But all its passengers escaped nearly unscathed, including the driver who had to be cut out from under the steering wheel.

The 1978-1979 state budget provides for the opening of 205 new schools with 238 classes, 7,105 students, 445 teachers and 205 employees.

REUTERS

Tito receives message from Bakr on Mideast

BELGRADE, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — Yugoslav President Tito has received a message from the Iraqi President Ahmed Hassan-Bakr dealing with the latest Middle East development, officials said here.

The message was delivered by the Iraqi Minister of Public Works and Housing Ishaq Yassin in Ramadan, at President Tito's northern Adriatic island retreat of Brioni.

The minister told the Yugoslav leader that Arab countries wished to strengthen their unity as an essential factor in achieving a just and complete solution.

Jordan, PLO to resume dialogue

AMMAN, Dec. 23 (R) — The dialogue between Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) will be resumed here next month, "al-Ayyam" newspaper reported Saturday.

It quoted Mahmoud Abbas, member of Fatah central command, as saying that the PLO delegation would be led by the head of the Political Department, Farouk Kaddoumi, and the talks would deal with the coordination of political issues.

The first round of talks between the two sides which centered on future relations was held last month. The PLO delegation was headed by the ailing National Council speaker Khaled al-Tahoun.

A committee representing both sides held talks here last week on how to channel their support to the Israeli occupied areas.

Somalia denounces Soviet aid to Ethiopia

CAIRO, Dec. 23 (AP)

Somalia's defense minister, Ali Samantar, denounced the Soviet Union for backing Ethiopia in its violent acts against Somalia, and pledged his country would continue to fight back.

In an interview with the Middle East News Agency released here Saturday, the minister said, "Cuban mercenaries and Soviet backed Ethiopian troops are continuing their raids on Somali cities and villages."

He added that "Somalia will continue its efforts against Soviet backed Ethiopia to regain its Ethiopian occupied land".

Samantar was here on a five-day visit during which he held talks with Egypt's defense minister, Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali for military assistance. He left Friday.

South Yemenis vote for new people's council

ADEN, Dec. 23 (R) — More than 90 per cent of South Yemen's voters took part in the country's first general election last week to choose deputies for the Supreme People's Council, an official statement said.

The statement, issued by President Ali Nasser Muhammad, said the 111 successful candidates included six women and some independents.

Informed sources said most of the deputies elected were members of the ruling Yemeni Socialist Party while only a handful of non-party members were successful.

The council's first task will be to elect a new president and presidential council to replace the five-man team now in power, and to choose a new prime minister and cabinet, officials said.

South Yemen has been ruled by a coalition of left-wing groups headed by the National Liberation Front since it gained independence from Britain in 1967.

Court reserves judgment

Hearings in Bhutto case concluded

RAWALPINDI, Dec. 23 (AP)

The Pakistani Supreme Court Saturday concluded hearings and reserved judgement on appeals of the death sentence filed on behalf of former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and four members of the Federal security force.

The death sentences were

verdict on Bhutto's appeal would be handed down. It was believed by legal experts here that the judgement might be announced by the middle of January at the earliest.

Pakistan's army ruler, Gen. Muhammad Zia-ul Haq said he will abide by the judgment of the seven-member supreme court in the seven-month appeal — the longest such action in the nation's history.

Bhutto, president and then prime minister until his ouster in a military coup last year, has been expected to await the supreme court's decision in a death cell at Rawalpindi district jail, around the corner from the mansion he occupied as premier.

In its final actions Saturday the supreme court overruled a defense request to call several witnesses, including former Foreign Minister Aziz Ahmad and former army chief Gen. Tikka Khan, and to recall three witnesses.

The defense argued that it had not been provided with relevant material by the prosecution before Bhutto's trial.

Bhutto still faces several other charges, including illegal detention, misconduct and abuse of his powers during his five-and-a-half years as president and premier.

Bhutto, appearing before the supreme court earlier this week in his bid to escape the gallows, charged that the case against him was based on a tissue of lies.

He attacked the prosecution story of a conspiracy to use the paramilitary federal security force, since disbanded, to stage the ambush.

The defense case centered on the credibility of the former head of the force, Masnoon Mahmood, who turned state's evidence and was pardoned.

The defense also questioned the evidence of the ambush it-

* ARDO Burroughs ARDO Burroughs *

Burroughs COMPUTERS

EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTORS

RDICO 

TEL: 62824 RIYADH

* Burroughs RDICO Burroughs/RDICO *

WACKER

A RELIABLE NAME IN CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT



VIBRATORS
BREAKERS
RAMMERS
PLATES
ROLLERS

WACKER

GENERAL MACHINERY AGENCIES

JEDDAH TELE 29501/2 22821 ALKHOBAR TELE 44184 41481 RIYADH TELE 62320 62295

SAUDI HOTELS AND RESORTS AREAS CO.

ANNOUNCES THE OPENING OF THE

Marriott Khurais Hotel Riyadh

Marriott is new to the Middle East, but it has been established in the U.S. for over 50 years

The Khurais Marriott Hotel offers facilities and services combining both business and social activities.

500 plush bedrooms including executive parlors with the most sophisticated and modern hotel facilities available.

For businessmen: complete secretarial services plus 5 telex lines including Arabic print.

Pool courtyard with a garden where food service is available.

2 attractive restaurants: Al Walima Grill (with a private dining area for up to 40 persons) and Al Makha Coffee Shop.

2 tennis courts with lighting for night play.

Complimentary transportation both to and from the airport.

Many shops and services, including medical assistance.

Tea Lounge. A pleasant peaceful place to relax and enjoy good fellowship.

More information: The Khurais Marriott is operated by the Marriot Corporation

for the Saudi Hotels and Resort Areas Company.

Tel.: 42158 - P.O. Box 2086 Telex 200193 KHUMAR SJ, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Situated south of the intersection at Km. 10 of Dhahran Highway

MARRIOTT DOES IT RIGHT



Preference will be given to the persons who have diploma in Automobile Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Airconditioning Engineering with 5 years experience.

For Mechanics, Operators and Drivers it is necessary to have Heavy Driving Licence.

Please apply at once with complete bio-data to the Managing Director CLETON/RCC, P.O. Box 6, Dammam. The number of the post applied for should be written on top of the envelope.

31 flown home after Zambia raid

Rhodesians free blacks held by guerrillas

ON THE BANKS OF THE ZAMBESI RIVER, Rhodesia, Dec. 23 (R) — Singing joyfully, an exuberant group of black Rhodesians flew into a remote bush airstrip here in northern Rhodesia saying they had been freed by Rhodesian troops from a black guerrilla prison camp deep inside Zambia.

Reporters watched as three aircraft of the Rhodesian Air Force landed in formation and unloaded 31 blacks, described as troops and civilians captured by guerrillas. A security force officer said 31 men had been rescued in all.

"This is our Christmas present to the nation," said a white army officer who said he had just returned with the freed prisoners from Zambia.

Military headquarters in Salisbury announced that a series of ground and air attacks on Patriotic Front guerrilla camps inside Zambia had been staged Friday.

In Lusaka, a government newspaper, the "Zambia Daily Mail," said Saturday that 16 people were killed in a Rhodesian raid on a military training base at Kabwe, deep inside Zambia, but there was still no official word on the 31 people apparently freed.

The Rhodesian blacks, who met reporters at an army camp on the southern bank of the

Zambesi River border between Rhodesia and Zambia, came from a prison complex at one camp, a communiqué said.

White officers said the men had been freed from Mbombela prison camp about 140 km inside Zambia due north from the border and east of the capital of Lusaka. One of the men had been wounded and

was taken by helicopter to hospital.

The camp was run by the Zimbabwe Peoples' Revolutionary Army (ZIPRA) of Joshua Nkomo, they said.

The Rhodesians destroyed the camp, said to have held more than 200 prisoners — described as recalcitrant guerrillas, captured Rhodesian

troops and blacks forced to join the guerrillas against their will.

The crack Rhodesian troops, black and white, airlifted the prisoners out of the camp to Rhodesia.

They landed at Mana Pools Airstrip in Rhodesia's northern tip.

A security force officer said the 31 included six members of the security forces captured by guerrillas, four former policemen and civilians taken into Zambia for training.

"The raid was launched to rescue as many as we could," he said. The remainder of the 200 had apparently scattered into the countryside from the smashed camp.

The men sang as they were driven into the military base.

"We were singing that we are happy to be home," said one with a huge smile.

In the limited time available, reporters could not talk individually to all the men, but four questioned at random said they had been held as prisoners. Asked whether they were happy to be in Rhodesia, they all chorused "yes."

One said he had been checked by Cuban personnel at a base in Zambia, and another that he had spent months training in Cuba.

Otias Moto, 21, said he was travelling through Botswana in August last year on his way to the United States to study at the Florida Institute of

Technology and Aeronautics in Miami when he was abducted by guerrillas and taken to Zambia.

After a few weeks he was sent to Cuba — aboard a ship with Cuban troops from the Cabinda enclave in Angola — to study agriculture, he said.

He spent seven months in Havana and attempted to persuade Brush diplomats there to help him escape to the United States. He added that this was discovered by the Cubans and he was sent back to Zambia via Angola.

He said the Cubans were training 50 ZIPRA personnel when he was in Havana, 20 of them in agricultural methods and 30 as soldiers.

"As far as ZIPRA was concerned I had committed an act of insubordination so I was sent to the prison camp last April," Moto said.

He was reading in the camp library Friday when the Rhodesians struck "with a terrible

blast under a table and then ran to an underground shelter," he said. "I then discovered white men and they asked me to go with them."

The prisoners had been guarded by 30 ZIPRA guerrillas. Neither he nor others in the group could say how many casualties had been caused by the raid.

"I shall be going home for Christmas," he said. "I'm glad — so very, very glad."



PICKETS: Journalists of the Press Association, Britain's domestic news agency, are expected to continue their strike into the New Year. They are demanding a higher pay increase than the approximate 8.9 per cent rise offered. Another British strike, that at the BBC, ended at midnight Friday.

As strike ends

BBC returns to full broadcasts

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP) —

A strike that shut down the British Broadcasting Corporation's two television channels and curtailed radio broadcasts at home and to the world ended at midnight Friday after a government agency granted 26,000 employees a 12 1/2 per cent pay rise.

The eight-hour strike was called off after the govern-

ment's Central Arbitration Committee agreed to rises that would bring BBC employees to parity with more highly-paid commercial radio and television workers.

"We are obviously delighted with the news of the award," said Ian Trehowhan, director-general of the BBC.

The strike was called by the 14,000-member Association

of Broadcasting Staffs because of the pay demands and suspension of 11 film processors who refused to handle non-union film earlier in the week.

The BBC said the employees will be reinstated.

The rise was granted in spite of the government's castigation of the BBC earlier Friday for offering employees an eight per cent increase.

Both channels broadcast a message advising viewers they were unable to transmit during the strike, the first in the 56-year history of the BBC.

BBC funding comes from annual television licence fees.

The BBC has complained that fees are too low, but the Labor government opposes any increase as part of a campaign to keep the inflation rate below 10 per cent.

Kong's maritime limit near outlying island and was guarded by the Wasperion and three marine launches.

Reporters were not allowed closer than 400 yards from the Huey Fong but were able to see the refugees shouting and waving banners. It was too far away to hear what they were saying.

According to the government, the master of the ship told the government he had sufficient water, with rationing, for two days but was running short of food.

Discussions were held aboard the Royal Navy ship HMS Wasperion after the Panamanian-registered Huey Fong was refused permission to enter Hong Kong waters. The team of doctors was then transferred to the freighter by launch.

The team of government doctors was flown to the Wasperion by helicopter and then transferred to the refugee ship by a launch. It was not immediately known how many doctors were in the team or if it included doctors from the British forces here.

The Huey Fong was anchored one mile outside Hong

Kong's maritime limit near outlying island and was guarded by the Wasperion and three marine launches.

Reporters were not allowed closer than 400 yards from the Huey Fong but were able to see the refugees shouting and waving banners. It was too far away to hear what they were saying.

According to the government, the master of the ship told the government he had sufficient water, with rationing, for two days but was running short of food.

Discussions were held aboard the Royal Navy ship HMS Wasperion after the Panamanian-registered Huey Fong was refused permission to enter Hong Kong waters. The team of doctors was then transferred to the freighter by launch.

The team of government doctors was flown to the Wasperion by helicopter and then transferred to the refugee ship by a launch. It was not immediately known how many doctors were in the team or if it included doctors from the British forces here.

The Huey Fong was anchored one mile outside Hong

Kong's maritime limit near outlying island and was guarded by the Wasperion and three marine launches.

Reporters were not allowed closer than 400 yards from the Huey Fong but were able to see the refugees shouting and waving banners. It was too far away to hear what they were saying.

According to the government, the master of the ship told the government he had sufficient water, with rationing, for two days but was running short of food.

Discussions were held aboard the Royal Navy ship HMS Wasperion after the Panamanian-registered Huey Fong was refused permission to enter Hong Kong waters. The team of doctors was then transferred to the freighter by launch.

The team of government doctors was flown to the Wasperion by helicopter and then transferred to the refugee ship by a launch. It was not immediately known how many doctors were in the team or if it included doctors from the British forces here.

The Huey Fong was anchored one mile outside Hong

problem is to be dealt with in a humane and rational manner."

With the flood of legal and illegal immigrants from China and more than 6,500 Vietnamese refugees so far this year, this congested colony is reluctant to do so if the refugee

caused in power struggles after Mao's death in September 1976.

Kyodo said some of the Chinese flocking to Peking failed to find lodgings and have been spending their nights in front of railway stations or under footbridges and "some are subsisting by begging."

The report did not say when they started arriving or whether they came en masse.

Kyodo said a poster pasted on the wall of the building housing the official Communist Party paper "The People's Daily" accused the paper of failing to take up their appeal and extend help to them.

"The authorities seem to take a serious view of the situation," the agency added.

"The poster said that the people are hanging around Peking streets, begging for food and making trouble by seeking free rides."

"The poster deplored the fact that Peking citizens do not give even food to them

for fear of being involved in troubles," Kyodo reported.

So far 90 wall posters have appeared, it said. "When the provincial people see foreign correspondents at Democracy Wall, they often ask them to help forward their appeal to Vice-Chairman Teng Hsiao-ping," Kyodo quoted sources as saying.

Romania snubs Moscow with call for arms freeze

BUCHAREST, Dec. 23 (AP) —

Irriting the Soviets twice in a day, Romania on Friday called for a demilitarized zone between the North Atlantic Alliance and the Warsaw Pact and for a freeze in military expenditures, troops and armaments at 1978 levels.

Earlier Friday, the Romanian Communist Party newspaper "Scirea," without mentioning the Soviet Union by name, said to force the will of one party on other Communist parties would violate decisions of the 1976 all-European Communist conference.

In a second international show of its defiance inside the Soviet bloc, Romania called for the freeze and the demilitarized zone. There was no word on which areas that zone should include.

The call was made by the Romanian Grand National Assembly in a session marking the 60th anniversary of an independent Romania.

A statement published abroad by the official news agency "Agerpres" said "... the Grand National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Romania submits to the parliaments and governments of the world the proposal to freeze military expenditures, armed forces and armaments at the

1978 levels and to pass a long-range disarmament program."

It said this would lead to a world without weapons and without wars."

First newsman from America visit Cambodia

BANGKOK, Dec. 23 (AP) —

The first group of American journalists to visit Communist Cambodia last Tuesday toured southern provinces and visited the strategic port of Kompong Som. Radio Phnom Penh reported Saturday.

Elizabeth Becker of the "Washington Post," Richard Dudman of the "St. Louis Post-Dispatch" and Prof. Malcolm Caldwell from Britain arrived in Phnom Penh Dec. 9 for what was described as a "friendly visit" granted by the Cambodian government.

Vietnam last week accused China of supplying thousands of Chinese advisers and tens of thousands of tons of war supplies to Cambodia through Kompong Som.

The broadcast said that authorities in the southern region gave the journalists a warm welcome and provided them with all facilities.

NOW with joy and gladness Nama International Est.

THE ONLY AGENT FOR ZOPPAS COMPANY

is pleased to introduce:

- Most modern electronic products.
- Refrigerators of different sizes.
- Gas Ovens of different sizes and models.
- Automatic washing machines of different models.
- Dish washing machine.

Freezer and Refrigerator in one unit.

Available maintenance and spare parts.

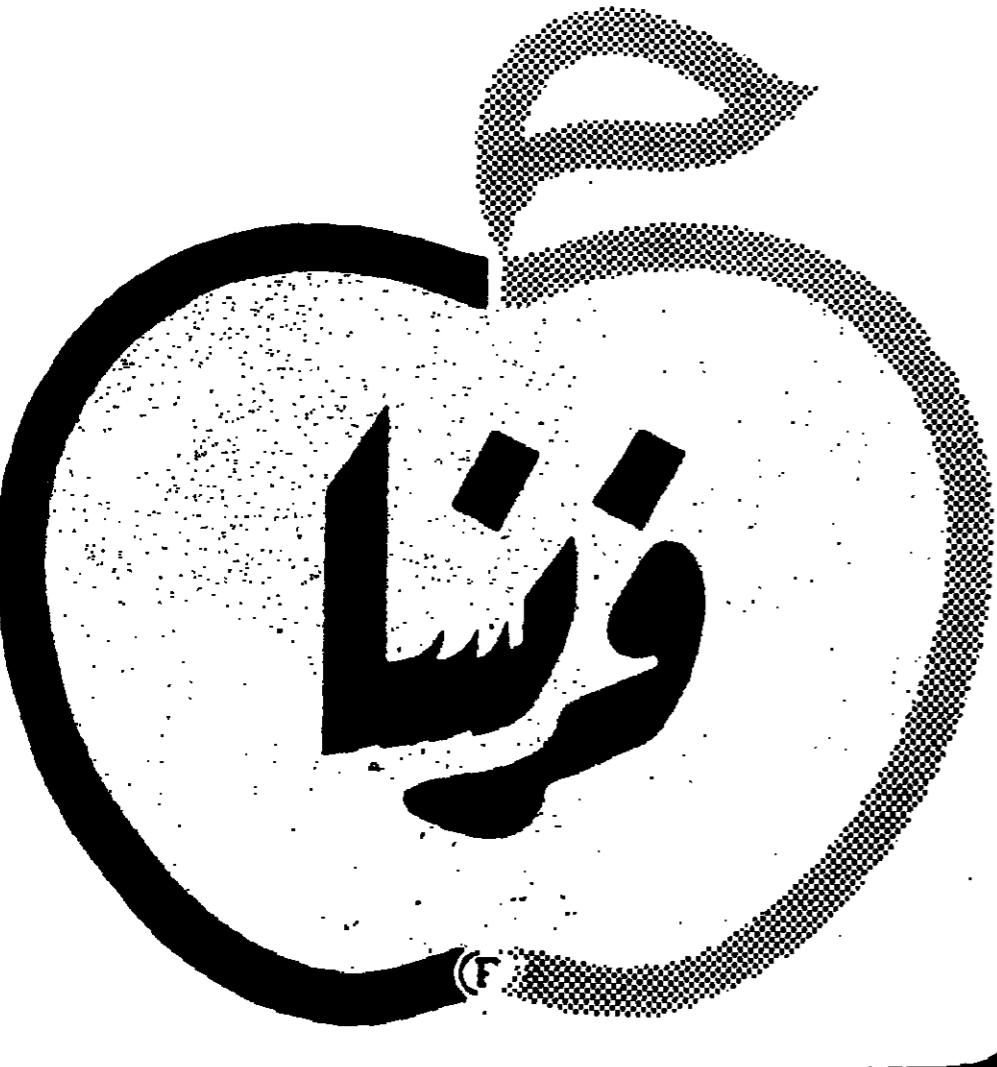
Preferable Prices

For additional information, please contact.

Exhibition: Sitteen street near Murad films development laboratory.

Riyadh. P.O.Box. 3030

Delicious Tasty Apple from FRANCE



GLOBE MARINE SERVICES



• Stevedores • Ship Agent
Barge / Tug Owners • Marine / Cargo Surveyors
Freight Brokers • Trucking

GLOBE MARINE SERVICES
P. O. Box 1814 DAMMAM SAUDI ARABIA DAMMAM-PORT ROAD
TEL 23044-29521 CABLE 4-TELEX 60064 SJ

Guyana jury says Jones was murdered at Temple

MATTHEWS RIDGE, Guyana, Dec. 23 (AP) — A Guyanese coroner's inquest has ruled that the Rev. Jim Jones and others were "criminally responsible" for the deaths of 910 persons at the Peoples Temple commune of Jonestown and that Jones was murdered.

The jury of four men and one woman decided Friday only one cultist committed suicide — Ann Moore, Jones' personal nurse.

Foreman Albert Graham, 62, said the jury did not have enough evidence to fix responsibility in the deaths of two other persons.

Attorneys ponder future of 17-year-old hijacker

BELLEVILLE, Ill., Dec. 23 (AP) — Teenaged Robyn Oswald, described as a "calm, collected young lady," is waiting in jail while lawyers meet to decide if she should be tried as a juvenile or an adult in connection with the hijacking of a Trans World Airlines jet Thursday.

U.S. attorney James Burgess of the Eastern District of Illinois said it must also be deter-

mined whether she will be named on state or federal charges.

Miss Oswald, 17, is the daughter of Barbara A. Oswald, who was killed seven months ago by the pilot of a helicopter she had hijacked in what state police said was an effort to take three prisoners, including Garrett Brock Trappel, out of the Marion Federal Penitentiary.

The initial jury finding said Jones, whose body was found with a bullet wound in the head, committed suicide. But after a tirade by the magistrate in charge, Haroon Bacchus, the jury concluded he was killed by "some person or persons unknown."

"You give people poison and don't know they're going to die?" Bacchus said.

When the jury filed back into the courtroom after being sequestered 18 minutes, Graham rose and said, "James Warren Jones died by suicide."

"What evidence do you have to support suicide?" Bacchus shouted, rising to his feet with the prosecutor.

Bacchus said government pathologist Dr. Leslie Mootoo stated that Jones was shot at close range in the side of the head, but that the gun was found 20 yards away. He said this was inconsistent with the jury's finding and suggested more deliberation.

The jury, drawn from residents of this tiny jungle village 150 miles northwest of Georgetown, near Jonestown, trudged back to the jury room. They filed out 11 minutes later and Graham announced:

"Some person or persons unknown is clearly responsible for the death of James Warren Jones."



Jimmy Carter

Angry farmers flock to Carter's hometown

PLAINES, Ga. Dec. 23 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter, home in Plains for Christmas, found Main Street choked with the tractors of angry farmers and plans laid for a protest against his China policies.

When the Carter family arrived by plane Friday at Fort Benning, Ga., he told the welcoming high school band and a large delegation of local officials and townspeople, "It al-

ways feels good to be home." But when his motorcade arrived at Plains, it swung around the northern fringe of the little southwest Georgia town to avoid the tractors and protesters blocking a highway running through the middle of town.

Four men were charged with obstructing law enforcement officers during the protest which drew as many as 400 tractors and 1,000 persons. Plains Police Chief James McClung said.

Citizens of Taiwan who oppose the Carter plan to cancel the mutual defense treaty between their country and the United States were to rally Saturday near the site of a \$25,000 flower garden given to Plains earlier this year by its "sister city" of Kaosung, a Taiwanese city of more than one million people.

The World Death penalty abolished in Spain

MADRID, Dec. 23 (R) — Spain Saturday abolished the death penalty except for military crimes committed in time of war. A decree modified the penal code, changing the maximum punishment to 30 years' imprisonment. The last executions in Spain took place on Sept. 27, 1975, when two Basque rebels and three other urban guerrillas were shot by firing squads.

100 die in Chinese train collision

TOKYO, Dec. 23 (AP) — Two Chinese trains collided last Monday in Chengchow, Hunan province, killing about 100 passengers and injuring 200 more, Japan's Kyodo news service reported Saturday, quoting informed sources in Peking.

British ship attacked in Colombia

BOGOTA, Dec. 23 (AP) — Pirates attacked a British-registered ship Friday in the Colombian port of Buenaventura, and the police killed several of the attackers and drove off others, a Bogota radio station quoted Buenaventura port authorities as saying.

Argentina to release 40 detainees

Buenos Aires, Dec. 23 (AP) — The military government has said it was paroling 40 political prisoners, sending four home from jail under house arrest and allowing 16 to leave the country.

A GREAT LITTLE PERFORMER D 31A-16 BULLDOZER

The Small one that does a Power of Work

Whether it be ditching for SEWAGE LANES, DRAINAGE CHANNELS, ROAD REPAIRS, PAVEMENT REMOVAL, FILLING OR SPREADING, AGRICULTURAL USE, HOISTING, SCARIFYING, DEMOLITION OR HANDLING PIPE

WHATEVER THE APPLICATION THE D31A-16 out classes all others of its class, equipped with KOMATSU diesel engine, delivering 63 flywheel horse power, coupled with hydroshift. Komatsu's hydroshift is a unique power transmission system which combines both easy speed-shifting of Torq flow (Power shift) and the high output efficiency of direct drive transmission, while reducing fuel consumption of the machine.



Komatsu's Unique:

Inching pedal facilitates precise, safe approach to obstacles, pushing the pedal down half way to release the clutch for dynamic dozing operation.

Something Extra Special:

Besides the special features above the Komatsu D31A-16 is equipped with an inside mounted power angle tilt dozer for the improved dozing performance. The power angle tilt dozer enables an operator in seat to raise, lower, angle or tilt the blade very easily, resulting in high working efficiency.

Accessibility to the tight approaches:

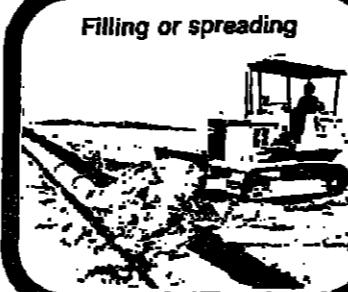
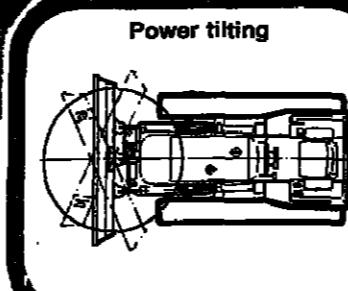
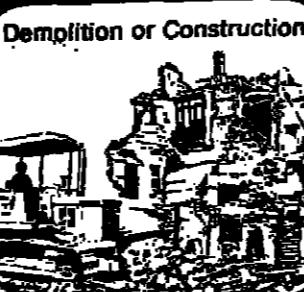
In consequence of the inside mounted type, the overall width of the machine is smaller, permitting its tight-corner operation and easy transport — providing high mobility, therefore, D31A-16 is most suitable for confined inner city construction sites, urban development projects, residential building construction, water/gas system construction and garbage disposal works etc.

Total Product Support:

Major parts and service depots are located in Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam. Locally trained personnel are assisted by Japanese product, parts and service experts, in addition mobile teams of engineers are also available to deal with every requirement including site visits.

Komatsu will train your engineers, operators and mechanics free of charge, to look after your D31A-16 or you can take out one of the comprehensive service contracts available.

Komatsu — first in product, first in service.



Should you want to know more about the Komatsu D31A-16 book a demonstration with our Sales Dept't, etc.

JEDDAH: Mecca Road, Kilo 5, P.O. Box 3222, Tel: 70141, 79404, 76533 & 74783.

RIYADH: Khuras Road, Kilo 1, P.O. Box 3556, Tel: 88530, 88535.

DAMMAM: Al-Khoror Road, P.O. Box 2277, Tel: 45492 — 45571

CABLE: KOMATSU JEDDAH — KODAM DAMMAM — KOMATSU RIYADH

TELEX:

JEDDAH: 401539 BUGKOM SJ

RIYADH: 20144 BOGSHAN SJ

DAMMAM: 80065 BOGSHAN SJ



KOMATSU

A.S. BUGSHAN & BROS

Announcing
very shortly an
important
event in Riyadh

Opening of AL AJALAN Supermarket

All household needs from foodstuffs to home appliances to toys for children.

AMPLE PARKING AVAILABLE

AL AJALAN Supermarket

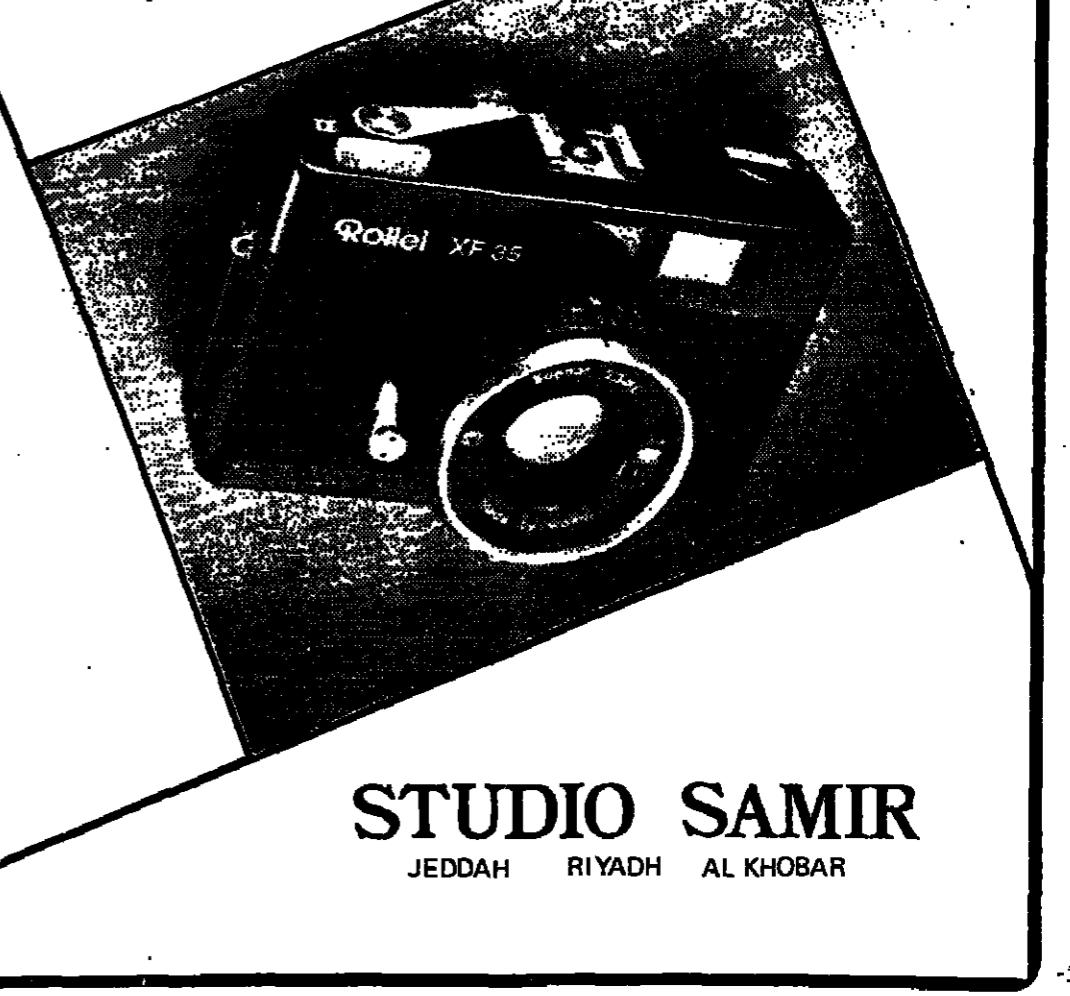
AL SULEYMANIAH OPPOSITE AIRPORT WALL,
SITTEEN STREET RIYADH

Rollei XF.35

With automatic programme exposure control

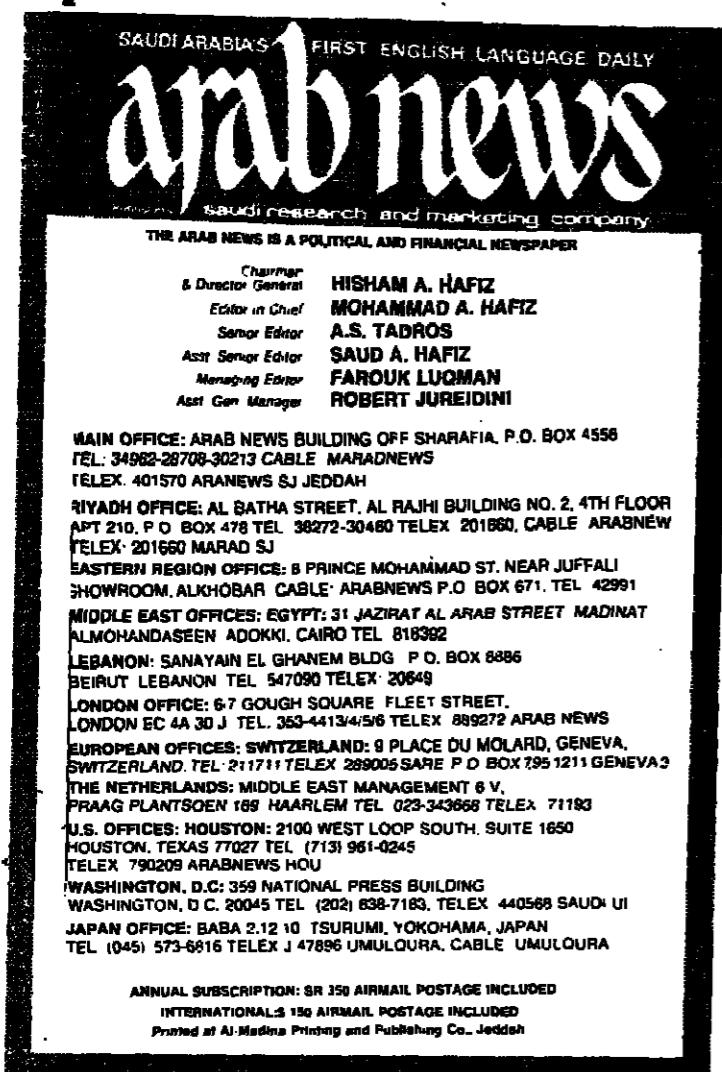
Coupled rangefinder and automatic

flash synchronization



STUDIO SAMIR

JEDDAH RIYADH AL KHOBAR



LAST SHOT?

The Brussels meeting arranged by the U.S. to get the bogged down Middle East peace process moving again appears to be a last ditch effort by the American administration to salvage one of its prime foreign policy objectives.

But the Carter administration has taken a very low key and hesitant attitude to the new round. Absent are the gleaming White House statements and promises of "imminent" breakthroughs, which gives us reason to believe that the U.S. is now probably as uncertain of the result as Arab countries are. As committed as Mr. Carter is to Middle East peace, he has probably realized that the present approach is doubtful, and that some other strategy is needed.

What are the alternatives?

To abandon its Middle East peace role altogether would do considerable damage to the image of the Carter administration both at home and abroad. Applying pressures or sanctions against Israel would be another deadend for domestic political considerations with Carter apparently set to contest the 1980 presidential battle. That apparently brings us back to the start — to the Geneva conference. In recent weeks there has been a growing belief in the Arab world that if peace is possible, given the present constraints, Geneva is a viable proposition. The move towards Geneva is being spearheaded by King Hussein who has recently concluded a European tour to sell the idea to Common Market and Vatican leaders, in the hope that they will persuade the U.S. to give Geneva another chance. The reversal of the peace process has suffered since President Sadat launched his peace initiative last year give the Geneva advocates a valuable sales pitch.

Critics of the Geneva conference have argued that it will bring back the Russians to the Middle East arena — an assumption that is probably true. But Soviet influence in some Arab countries is a regrettable fact that has to be contended with, but not ignored. Over the past two decades the Soviets have played an active, if not welcome, role in the shaping of the area's political map, and there is no sign that the Kremlin is willing to take a back seat as Mr. Carter experiments with peace.

To suggest that Geneva will provide the magic cure, is simplistic at best. But under the circumstances it seems to be the only remaining alternative that would take into account all the political variables in the area. For Egypt and the U.S., Geneva need not necessarily be viewed as a defeat for their diplomacy. In the final analysis the objective is to bring peace to a volatile region of the world, and not diplomatic ownership.

Carter's battles

By William Scully
WASHINGTON—

President Carter's momentous year of foreign diplomacy is unlikely to secure him an easy ride when Congress returns to work on Jan. 15.

With battle lines already drawn on the two big issues—the impending arms treaty with the Soviet Union and the "guns or butter" argument over America's spending priorities—the president faces anger from conservatives, moderates and liberals.

One of the first major hurdles confronting the administration is the fight to win the two thirds Senate majority needed to ratify a new strategic limitation (SALT) pact with the Soviet Union.

The treaty is expected to reach the Senate early in the new year, but conservatives—still smarting over Carter's Panama Canal Treaty under which the canal will be returned to Panama by the end of the century—have been campaigning hard against SALT for months.

The conservatives accuse the administration of being too soft on national security matters.

President Carter also upset many Congress members when he announced on Dec. 15 that the United States will establish diplomatic relations with China on Jan. 1.

Hardline conservatives opposed to relations with Peking were outraged and moderates who supported the new diplomatic ties were angry over

the planned termination of America's mutual defense treaty with Taiwan.

There were also widespread objections to the suddenness of the announcement. The Senate voted overwhelmingly to call for prior consultation on changing the Taiwan treaty.

Some members claim that congressional approval is required to wind the Taiwan treaty, but it is believed this argument probably will be settled in court.

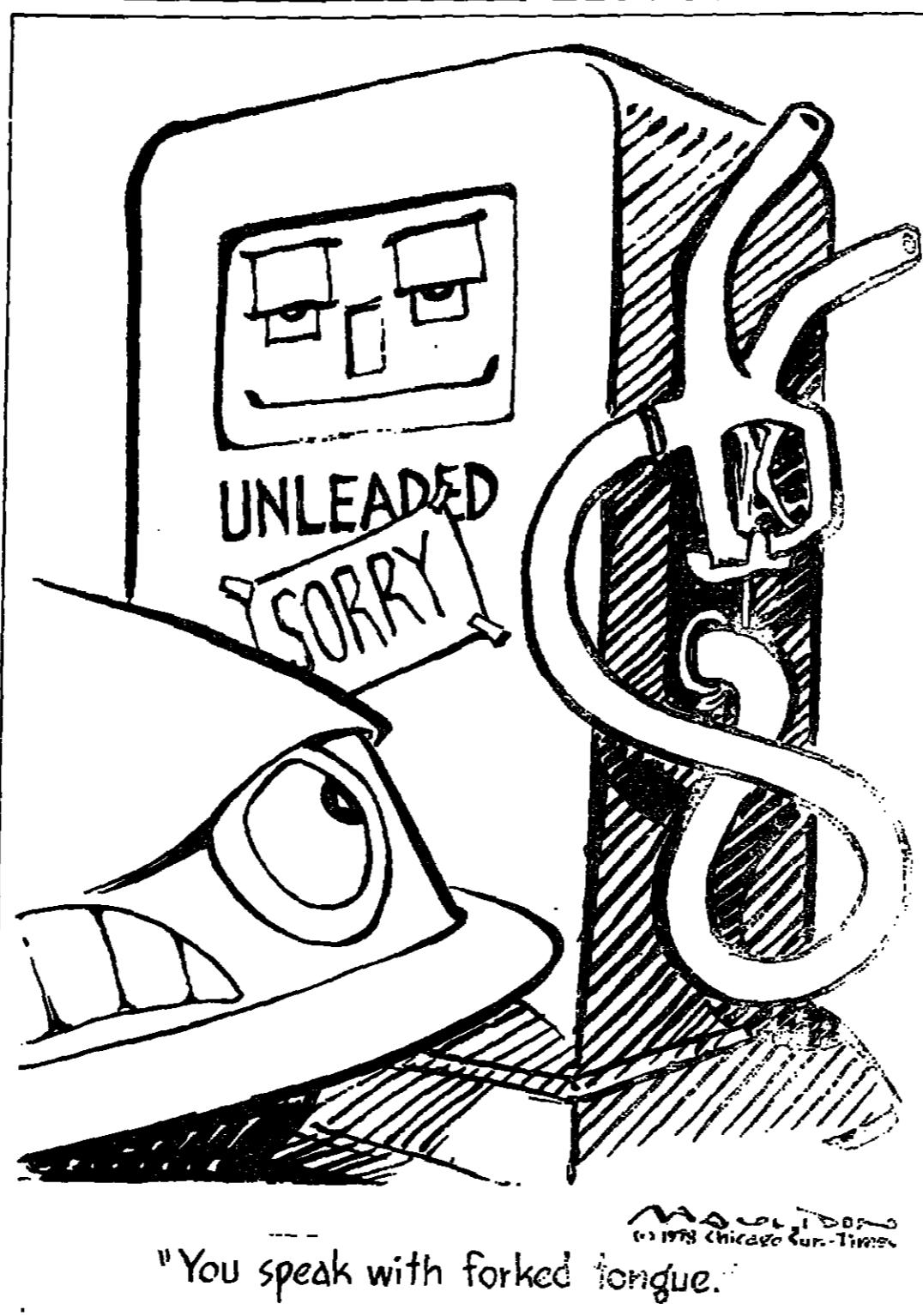
In addition to securing a new era of relations with China and over seeing the SALT talks, President Carter has also spent 1978 fostering peace between Egypt and Israel.

Right is might and without the latter the former is liable to be lost. Through such a means of solving the Middle East problem, it would be possible to realize a just, lasting and comprehensive peace," the paper said.

"This is the direction that we should take in our efforts to regain our lost rights and lands.

"Right is might and without the latter the former is liable to be lost. Through such a means of solving the Middle East problem, it would be possible to realize a just, lasting and comprehensive peace," the paper said.

Senator Kennedy recently received an enthusiastic reception from a party convention, which renewed speculation about a possible presidential race, but it is not clear how much support he will receive in Congress.—(R)



"You speak with forked tongue."

Diplomatic life in Taiwan

By George McArthur
TAIPEI —

The American embassy will officially cease to exist in Taipei on Jan. 1, but it will live on in the minds of taxi drivers, in a manifestation of one of the subtleties of diplomatic life in Taiwan.

As more nations break relations with the Republic of China, their embassies don't die, they just fade away—and turn right up again under assumed names.

Tell a taxi driver to take you to the Japanese embassy, for example. Although that embassy ceased to exist more than a year ago, the driver will unwillingly deliver you to a building called the Interchange Association.

It is officially listed as a non-profit organization—an oriental drossery. Japan does \$5 billion worth of business annually in Taiwan, and the Interchange Association is where it's done.

You can also get a visa for Japan there. The Japanese staff—on leave of absence from Japanese government ministries—makes you wait three days. They explain that they have to send your passport to the nearest Japanese diplomatic facility, which is one hour by air from Hong Kong. But everyone knows the visa stamp is in the back room.

That is the way it is done on Taiwan. Nations officially depart, and remain at the same time.

The Spanish do it poetically through the Cervantes Society, the Germans through a cultural front known as the Deutsche Kulturzentrum and the British through the Anglo-Taiwan Trade Commission. The

directors of some of these organizations sometimes attempt straight-faced denial of any governmental connection, but a foreign businessman seeking to straighten out some technicality involving Australia, for instance, will be told by Taiwanese officials (also maintaining straight faces) to look up the Australia Free China Society.

It is now being said in Taipei that the United States embassy building is to become the Asian American Trade Services Corporation. It is said that the Republic of China diplomatic presence in Washington will be thinly disguised as the Sun Yat-sen Society. Whether those titles are correct or not is hardly relevant—everybody knows that the organizations will exist and will be staffed by diplomats, whatever their names.

Taiwan authorities have become experts on this kind of thing over the years. Although they now have diplomatic relations with only 19 countries (18 when the United States nominally departs) they maintain some kind of commercial contacts with about 140 nations and have official establishments of some sort in 125.

In addition, private and governmental trade associations in Taiwan have an unknown but staggering number of legal contracts with private and governmental organizations overseas. The Taiwan government, for example, has many legal contracts with state governments in the United States and these will continue in force after Jan. 1. A trade delegation from Taiwan is in the United States now, signing more.

"They work at this kind of thing," a Western diplomat noted. "They know that every

country has its own oil reserves.

Officially, the diplomatic scene in Taipei itself is pretty dreary. Because few diplomats can represent themselves as such, attendance at official diplomatic functions is sometimes sparse.

With the departure of the United States, the major embassies here will be South African, South Korean and Saudi Arabian. The Saudi connection is by far the most important (11 of the others are Latin American).

The anti-Communist Saudis—who furnish virtually all of the oil for Taiwan's economy—have stuck with the Republic of China through all difficulties and appear likely to continue that course.

In the good old days before Peking's diplomatic efforts began to pay off, there were more than 70 foreign embassies and consulates in Taipei. As the number has diminished, Taiwan has continued to thrive.

—LAT

saudi press review

Commenting on Crown Prince Fahd's interview in "Al-Jezirah" Thursday "Al-Bilad" said the prince was very clear in his assessment of the situation in the Middle East and on what the Arabs should do to retrieve their rights.

"Prince Fahd said that we should build our own potentials in individuals, society and attitudes," the paper said.

"This is the direction that we should take in our efforts to regain our lost rights and lands.

"Right is might and without the latter the former is liable to be lost. Through such a means of solving the Middle East problem, it would be possible to realize a just, lasting and comprehensive peace," the paper said.

"Prince Fahd said that we should build our own potentials in individuals, society and attitudes," the paper said.

"This is the direction that we should take in our efforts to regain our lost rights and lands.

Holy Quran should be taken into consideration as a firm basis for Islam.

The paper said that the Islamic world is duty-bound to combat this "malicious attempt to sow doubt in the principles of Islam as attributed by the Libyan press to their leader."

One of the latest attacks on Islam, according to the paper, is Qaddafi's description of the second Caliph Omar "as a benevolent dictator."

"This attack on the caliph is in keeping with Qaddafi's attempt to demolish one of the pillars of Islam which is the Sunna, the Prophet's sayings and guidelines by undermining the reliability of those who preserved its heritage."

The paper urged all Muslims to unite "in controlling this new peril before it becomes more dangerous and catastrophic."

"It would be difficult to discount the possibility of a major political change in China in the foreseeable future," according to "Al-Medina".

"The change may take the

Israel's Middle East scenario

by Dial Torgerson
TEL AVIV

Even as the Israeli government searched for a way around the current impasse in seeking a peace agreement with Egypt, the Israeli Defense Forces are quietly preparing for war they believe will come by 1983.

Israeli military thinking here foresees this scenario:

Iraq and Syria will attack through Lebanon and the Golan Heights, Israel's border with Syria, and will move through Jordan to strike across the Jordan Valley. King Hussein, voluntarily or under pressure, will join them.

The attack will come in the fall, they argue when the approach of winter makes an embargo on oil a more potent threat. It may come as early as 1982 and possibly as late as 1984, depending when the Mexican fields begin to flow.

Military leaders in Egypt will want to join the war, too. Whether they do so or not will depend on how much Egyptians get out of the peace that is expected to then exist between Israel and Egypt. If Egypt's people are doing better, they will have too much to lose. If not, the hawks will win, and Egypt will move across the demilitarized Sinai to get at Israel.

"We will have to move fast to engage them in the Sinai, where there is room to maneuver," an Israeli officer said. "We can't let them get into the Negev. A lot will depend on whether they delay two or three days. That would give us time to take care of the eastern front."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

The IDF's plans to counter a possible Arab attack are, of course, secret. And so, as well, are the military intelligence estimates of Arab intentions. But from a number of well-informed sources it is possible to put together an unofficial but reliable account of what Israeli military experts see as the Middle East of the early '80s.

Experts here believe they see the trends that point to why, when and where the next clash will come. Among them:

By 1983, oil in large quantities will begin to flow from the vast Mexican oil fields, where reserves are said to be equivalent to a large share of the Arab oil holdings. Once the Mexican oil becomes available,

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

Israel will win handily, if Egypt does not attack simultaneously, according to military sources here. "It's a traditional attack," says one. "After Egypt and Syria struck simultaneously, by surprise, Israel would be in more trouble. But the Israeli army does not expect to be surprised this time."

the Arabs will lose the power of their oil weapon. An embargo would no longer cripple the Western world.

For this reason, according to the Israelis, the Arabs must attack Israel before the new reserves are tapped. They will call an embargo to try to force the United States and Western Europe to side with them in imposing a ceasefire at a time advantageous to them.

The attack will come in the fall, they argue when the approach of winter makes an embargo on oil a more potent threat. It may come as early as 1982 and possibly as late as 1984, depending when the Mexican fields begin to flow.

According to Israeli experts, Israel is not the only country that sees the menace of such a confrontation. The United States understands it as well, according to Israeli experts, and this is why President Carter is staking so much on trying to achieve peace between Egypt and Israel.

The United States is not just being altruistic about the fate of Israel, say sources in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. It is worried about the threat of a Russian advance south into the Middle East. The United States, they say, wants a line of defense at least across Egypt and Israel and further south.

As Israel sees it, the Soviet Union holds all the advantages over the next few years. That favorite Communist community, chaos, is spreading through the Arab world, inspired by a religious fervor such as that already surfacing in Iran.

As Israel sees it, the Soviet Union holds all the advantages over the next few years. That favorite Communist community, chaos, is spreading through the Arab world, inspired by a religious fervor such as that already surfacing in Iran.

</

AL ESAYI TRADING CORP.

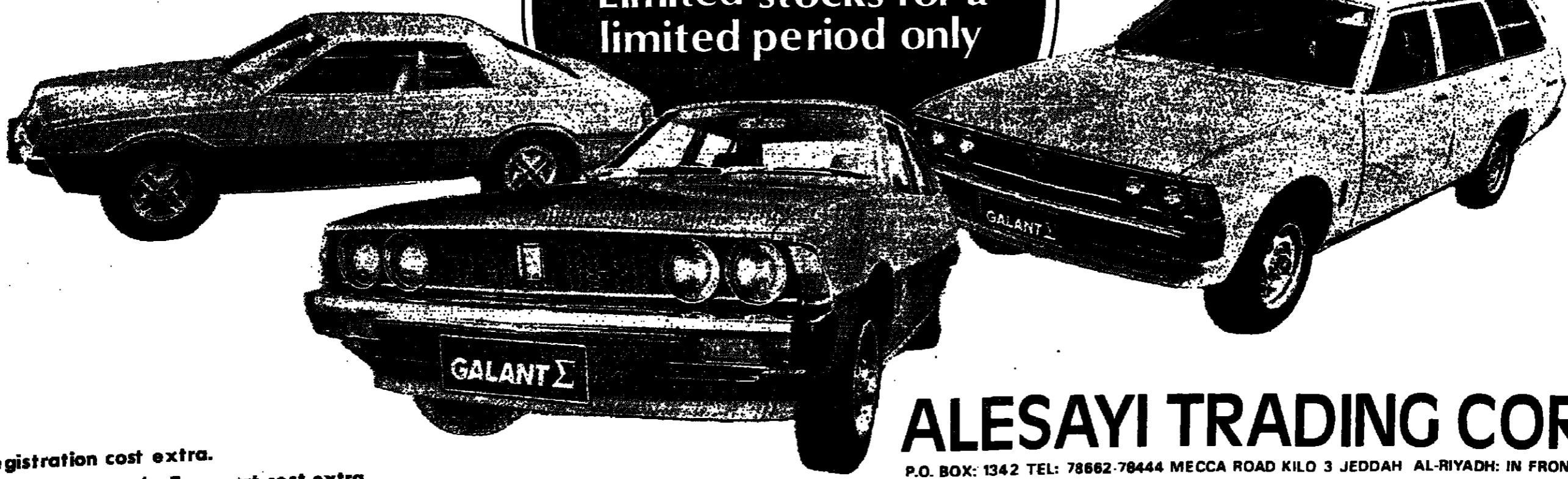
**has the pleasure to introduce attractive
Chrysler-Mitsubishi cars for**



**The new 1979 line of Chrysler-Mitsubishi cars offers you comfort and elegance.
There is a choice to suit your style and requirements. Buy one for yourself today!**

Grand Sale on 1978 cars.

Limited stocks for a limited period only



ALESAYI TRADING CORP.

P.O. BOX: 1342 TEL: 78662-78444 MECCA ROAD KILO 3 JEDDAH AL-RIYADH: IN FRONT OF
THE ROYAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE TEL: 24033 P.O. BOX 3983 TEL: 27751
DAMMAM: DHABRAN STREET TEL: 22565

arabnews Features

House of Pizza comes to town

The House of Pizza opened for business earlier this month as a new fast foods operation located on Palestine Road across the street from the Luna Park.

The House of Pizza staff of six works in a fully equipped custom-made American trailer with two kitchens, restroom and office.

"The purpose of the business is to provide clean Halal food cooked with American recipes at a reasonable price," said Khalil Asaad, the manager of the House. "Our main products are quality and service."

Khalil Asaad, an American Muslim, was invited to Saudi Arabia to provide management

for the business by another American Muslim and friend Sheaid Uallah, who is a partner in the new business.

Asaad was born in Chicago and worked in Dallas, Texas as a manager and computer programmer for the Sears Roebuck Co. computer data center, as well as owning and operating several retail businesses. Sheaid Uallah was born in Mississippi and was the owner of a trucking company in Chicago. Sheaid Uallah has a Saudi business partner, a very religious gentleman, who desires Islamic integrity in all of life's activities including business.

"The employees were chosen for their creative abilities,

their attitudes towards progress and people, and their willingness to contribute," said Asaad. "They have proven to be more than satisfactory by offering ideas, initiative and long hours of hard work, helping to develop the operation and the owners and management are sincerely appreciative."

"The cost of the business is patience, dedication and hardwork," said Asaad.

The House of Pizza was planned, researched and made operational by a small private loan and the development has been supported by our personal funds".

American equipment is used at the House and food items

are also shipped from America, except for Halal meats and breads that are purchased locally. The breads are baked to their specifications by a specialty bakery, that will soon compliment the menu with hot doughnuts and other pastries.

"Our menu reflects our intentions, as it lists good foods at the lowest possible price" said Asaad.

"Our quarter-pound burgers and delicious Pizzas are prepared with great care and the ingredients are of the best qualities." The menu includes 18 items that are priced with the customer in mind. The menu includes Pizza (cheese, beef, mushroom, chive or all), southern fried chicken, sloppy Joe's, cheeseburgers, french fries, ice cream, milk shakes (Vanilla, Strawberry & chocolate) and tea, coffee and sodas.

The House of Pizza plans to expand its services throughout Saudi Arabia. They will incorporate a few more related foods as well as breakfast specials. They will also expand physically to accommodate a growing clientele and a training center for additional units, and in the next two years. The House of Pizza plans to operate a chain of Pizza trailers.

"The House of Pizza is still in the initial stages of development and we are recording development requirements which include landscaping and creating an atmosphere blended to express our concern for our customers," said Asaad. "Presently I don't recognize any serious competition in the fast foods business here," said Asaad. "But I feel that competition is healthy when applied in a positive fashion: fast foods in Saudi Arabia are patronized here more so than in other countries I have visited as the customary and traditional activity encourages a good appetite".

'There's nothing to eat at home'

By David Holley

TOKYO — Den Fujita grew up eating the traditional Japanese diet of rice, fish, bean curd, fermented soybean soup and fresh and pickled vegetables. And at 52, he still prefers that diet.

But on weekends, he says, when he asks his wife to make a Japanese meal for the family, she often refuses. Instead, she tells him he can cook for himself if he wishes, but she and the children are going to McDonald's.

"So I have to go. There's nothing to eat at home," complained Fujita — the founder and president of McDonald's Co. of Japan.

Ten years ago few people in Japan or the United States would have predicted that hamburgers could be a success here. The traditional Japanese diet included neither bread nor beef nor sandwiches and stressed careful preparation of fresh foods varying from season to season.

But this year McDonald's of Japan will have sales of about \$175 million and will show a \$15 million profit. Last month Japan was the site of the opening of the world's 5,000th McDonald's store. It was the 147th in Japan.

Fujita is confident he will have 300 stores in Japan by the end of 1981, with annual sales of \$500 million, giving a profit of \$50 million.

The McDonald's menu in Japan is familiar to American visitors — except for the fact that it is written in Japanese phonetic characters. But, even though the last price increase was in 1974, the prices are higher.

Before McDonald's came to Japan, the few places that served hamburgers often could not satisfy the American hamburger purist. Some were even known to combine their beef with other meats.

But McDonald's hamburgers are 100 per cent beef, with about half of the meat imported from Australia. The French fries are made from Idaho potatoes, and Fujita said that \$400,000 worth of them are imported from the United States each month.

Top McDonald's executives give Fujita complete credit for the success of the Japanese operation.

"Without Fujita, instead of 147 stores, we'd have ended up with 20 or 30," said Edward H. Schmitt, president of McDonald's Corp.

Operations in Japan have become McDonald's "number one success story overseas," said Fred L. Turner, chairman of the board.

Turner indicated that Fujita's handling of the company's operations in Japan sheds light on why some American companies succeed and others fail in cracking the Japanese market.

Using knowledge gained during 20 years of managing his own import-export business, Fujita shaped McDonald's to fit Japan. He used personal connections to serve the company's needs, and came up with unique ideas — such as a way to give status to hamburgers — that were not easily understood, much less conceived, by the American management of McDonald's.

Better understanding by Americans of seemingly minor aspects of Japan's changing culture and society is a prerequisite for expanded U.S. exports to Japan, Fujita said.

McDonald's success in Japan was built, he said, upon social changes that have transformed the country since the end of World War II.

Bread and milk were introduced to the schools by a government school lunch program after the war, creating a new generation whose tastes easily adapt to hamburgers and milkshakes, Fujita said, adding, "This postwar generation is our main target."

"In the past, we had big families and the younger generation who live together with their parents. But today the younger generation lives in small apartments. They lose the chance to learn traditional cooking from their mothers," Fujita said.

These trends were already well developed by 1968, when an American employee of Fujita's firm suggested to him that he help bring McDonald's to Japan. Fujita, however, was skeptical.

"I was worried whether Japanese people could eat hamburgers," Fujita said.

He said his doubts were erased only when he visited Honolulu and saw the popularity of McDonald's food among Americans of Japanese ancestry. He soon began negotiations with McDonald's and became president and half-owner of McDonald's of Japan when the company was founded in 1971.

One of the first — and key — problems was determining where to open the first store. Burger Chef already had a store in a Tokyo suburb, so Fujita and American executives of McDonald's examined that location.

Fujita recalls that the Americans were convinced that Burger Chef had discovered an excellent location, but he rejected their opinion and put McDonald's first store in the downtown Ginza area in what had been show-window space of the fashionable Mitsukoshi department store.

The Americans remained critical, Fujita said, until October 1, 1972, when the Ginza store registered 2.2 million yen (\$37,000) in sales to set a new world record for a single day's business for a McDonald's store.

Meanwhile, the suburban Burger Chef store failed, and Burger Chef withdrew from Japan.

The Ginza has been for decades the most prestigious shopping district of Japan, and a national trend-setter. "Every day, a million people come to the Ginza, including many of the 500,000 Japanese and foreign visitors who are in Tokyo at any given time," Fujita said.

A store in the Ginza, he said, offers not only "free advertising," but also a high-quality image.

At the Ginza store, Fujita said, "10 per cent of our customers are Americans. So Japanese think, 'Oh, here is an American eating a hamburger. It must be good.' The price is 150 yen (79 cents); I can afford it. So let's go."

"But if no American is eating there, the Japanese don't go. They think, 'Oh, this is 150 yen, it must be junk food.'

"But I'm very careful," Fujita continued. "On the other side, Japanese don't like foreign people. So, even now, I intentionally don't put up any American flag, and I don't say, 'McDonald's came from the United States.' These words are forbidden words for McDonald's Japan, because they stimulate anti-foreign feeling."

Fujita said American exporters in general should study such cultural aspects of Japan more carefully.

"You must send first-class Americans, experts, to Japan," Fujita said.

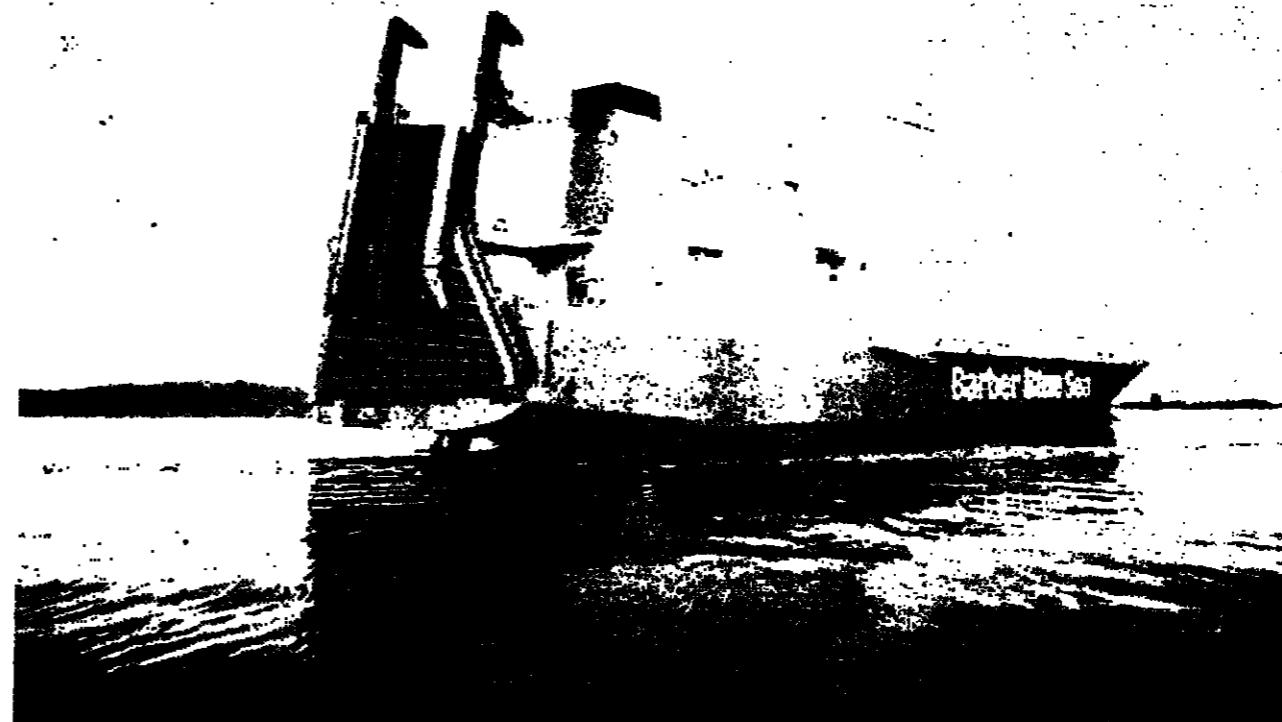
"Before you start production, you must learn Japanese culture and what Japanese like. Then you can export in huge quantities."

The potential hamburger market in Japan is so great, Fujita said, that it would support five times the present number of McDonald's stores.

Despite the excellence of his business prospects, however, Fujita is worried:

"I am a little bit afraid that 10 years from now, Japanese housewives will not know how to cook good Japanese food."

—(LAT)

BARBER BLUE SEA INTRODUCES THE SUPER CARRIERS.

BARBER BLUE SEA will over the next six months take delivery of six of the largest and most advanced Roll-on/Roll-off ships in the world. The capital investment in these ships amounts to nearly US Dollars 200 million and represents a major technological step forward for the Round-the-World Liner Shipping Services offered by the Oslo-Based BARBER BLUE SEA. The six vessels have been ordered from shipyards in Japan and Norway by the three leading shipping concerns which are partners in BARBER BLUE SEA WITH WILHELMSEN OF NORWAY, OCEAN TRANSPORT AND TRADING LTD. OF GREAT BRITAIN AND BROSTROM SHIPPING CO. LTD. OF SWEDEN. WILHELMSEN WILL OWN THREE OF THE NEW SHIPS, OCEAN TWO AND BROSTROM ONE. Due for delivery between the end of January and the middle of June, these RO/RO Supercarriers will form the basis of the BARBER BLUE SEA Shipping Services next year, running from the United States to the Middle East. And then on to South East Asia and the Far East before finally returning to the United States. They are remarkable ships in many ways. They can carry Containerised Cargo up to a maximum of 1,400 twenty-foot equivalent units, or up to 60,000 cubic meters of Non-Containerised Cargo, and also many as 400 unboxed cars on hoistable car decks. Versatility is the keynote of the ships, and they can take almost any combination of these types of cargo, including heavy lifts of up to 400 tons weight, all of which is loaded and unloaded over a massive 40-foot wide ramp able to take two lines of traffic at a maximum rate of 800 tons per hour. All kinds of Rolling Stock can be accommodated, as well as Trailers, Reefers, Containers and Special Containers.

"We believe these ships to be unique," says BARBER BLUE SEA President, Ivar Lovold, "certainly as far as the United States Trade are concerned. Their size alone offers very considerable economies of scale, and we are confident that they will not be superseded, either in size or technology, for a long time. They really are Fantastic Cargo Machines". Of the partners, WILHELMSEN in particular, has a substantial experience in the operation of Long-Haul RO/ROS on the Seacarriers Australia / New Zealand routes. The partners believe that the nature of the BARBER BLUE SEA routes, which produce a high volume of wheeled cargo and a small but important segment of uncontainable cargo combined with a heavily containerized trade from the Far East, makes large versatile RO/ROS the ideal form of ship for the services. Mr Lovold stresses that the new ships should not be confused with the smaller, trailer-type of RO/RO widely used on Short-Sea Ferry Routes.

"These new ships are quite distinct from the trailer type," he says. "They make use of the RO/RO loading and discharging techniques so as to give the quickest possible Port-Turn-around time, but they incorporate block stowage methods which enable the maximum possible volume of cargo to be accommodated within the ship."

The Supercarriers will form the backbone of the BARBER BLUE SEA SERVICES, but they will be supported by a high-quality fleet of multi-purpose cargo liners. Eleven of these ships will be retained in the BARBER BLUE SEA SERVICES following the introduction of the six RO/ROS. There will be five Wilhelmsen Ships of this type, able to take up to 750 containers, heavy lifts up to 150 tons, liquid

cargo, bulk cargo and unit loads, three ocean vessels with similar capability, and three Brostrom Combo Vessels, designed to take a combination of Cellular Container and Conventional cargoes with a maximum container capacity of 1,000 ten.

The delivery of the last RO/RO will mark the completion of a rapid and fundamental upgrading of the total fleet, the first stage of which took place with the introduction of the Wilhelmsen and Ocean Multi-Purpose Vessels last year. A reflection of the improved quality of the fleet is provided by the reduction in the number of units operated from 31 in 1977 to 25 at present and 17 by the second half of next year.

The configuration of the up graded fleet emphasizes that BARBER BLUE SEA is willing and able to handle any kind of liner cargo. It is able to take any kind of container, with a 20/40 - box fleet.

Monitored by its own tracking system, but the essence of its transportation concept is that it can adapt its system to suit whatever kind of cargo in whatever quantity the shipper wishes. The variety of its Trading Routes makes such a degree of adaptability vital. Five main services are provided: United States (Gulf and Maritime) / Canada East Coast to Middle East (US (Gulf and Atlantic) / Canada East Coast to South East Asia; Far East to Panama/USA; Canada East Coast; Far East to Canada/US West Coast / Venezuela;

and Canada/US West Coast to Venezuela.

The new ships will give BARBER BLUE SEA a fleet well able to match those of any of its competitors in these routes.

But Mr Lovold points out that the quality of the assets is only half of the package which makes up a successful modern liner shipping operation. The other half is the quality and extent of the back up organisation and here too BARBER BLUE SEA thinks it is highly competitive. BARBER BLUE SEA has a particularly extensive coverage of agents and offices in its key trading areas of North America. The Middle East and the Far East, and has concentrated where possible on establishing a direct presence in these agencies, in many cases this takes the form of ownership of the agency companies, and in other cases BARBER BLUE SEA has been able to place its own staff in agency offices. The philosophy has been as far as possible to obtain direct control over the entire marketing of its services, so as to be in the best position to offer a fully Integrated Transportation System.

"Shipping has had to become very much more customer-oriented that it used to be, and we have placed great emphasis on this," says Mr Lovold. "We have invested a lot of money in top quality staff in our key locations, and this has given us a strength of expertise comparable in the quality of our assets". Through the agency network, BARBER BLUE SEA is able to maintain a high degree of personal contact with its customers, and this is backed up by computerised Scheduling Planning, Telecommunication Systems and Container Tracking Systems.

BARBER BLUE SEA was set up in 1971 by Wilh. Wilhelmsen Ocean Transport and Trading Ltd., as a joint operating company for ships owned by the principals. It is managed by BARBER LINES AS IN India.

Agents:

Binzagr Barber Saudi Shipping Ltd.

Tel: 19129 Telex: 10145 BINZAGR SJ
P.O. Box 316 - Jeddah
BARBER LINES Tel: 19129 Telex: 60012 TRI ST SJ
P.O. Box 293 - Damman

Kjeldsen's It's a matter of taste!

Danish BUTTER COOKIES and Almond Pastry

Bahrawi البحريني

Middle Eastern Desserts

Jordan Lebanon Egypt Damascus
Tunisia Libya Yemen
Kuwait Bahrain Saudi Arabia

Middle Eastern
Desserts

هذه من التحل

To pose challenge

Arsenal swamps Tottenham, 5-0

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP)—England striker Alan Sunderland netted a superb hat-trick Saturday as Arsenal swamped its North London neighbor Tottenham, 5-0, in an English First Division soccer match.

Arsenal's resounding victory underlined its championship challenge. This match was the

team's 10th consecutive unbroken game.

But Everton, who started the day unbeaten and just one point behind league leader Liverpool, lost its unbeaten record and the chance to top the standings.

Everton slumped against Coventry City at Highbury Road. After a goalless first

half, goals from Ian Wallace, Garry Thompson and Steve Hunt put the home team firmly in control and even late efforts from Mike Lyons and Bob Latchford could not save Everton.

Everton's defeat must have cheered Liverpool, whose match against Wolverhampton Wanderers was one of a number of matches frozen off.

Arsenal is now in a third-place tie with West Bromwich Albion, which did not play Saturday, though Albion is marginally ahead on goal difference.

Liam Brady for Arsenal completely overshadowed Osvaldo Ardiles in midfield as Sunderland opened the scoring after just 35 seconds after an error by John Gorman.

It was the first in a series of blunders by the shaky Tottenham defense. Brady created a second goal for Sunderland before half time and Arsenal really turned on the pressure after the interval. Frank Stapeleton scored with a header after 61 minutes, Brady scored a fourth five minutes later with a left footed drive from 22 meters and Sunderland rounded off his hat-trick with five minutes remaining. Stapeleton nearly made it 6-0, hitting a post in the dying seconds.

Nottingham Forest missed a chance to gain significant

ground when it could only draw 0-0 with Manchester City. It was the defending champion's tenth draw of the season and it remains in fifth place.

Leeds continued to make progress under new manager Jimmy Adamson by getting a fine 3-1 victory at home over Middlesbrough. The visitors took the lead through Mark Proctor but John Hawley equalized just before the interval and Eddie Gray and Tony Currie sewed it up for Leeds in the second half.

Chelsea moved off of Birmingham by managing a scoreless draw at home against Bristol City and the only other First Division match also ended in a goalless stalemate between Derby County and Aston Villa.

In the one match last night, Manchester United was upended 3-0 by Bolton Wanderers. The crowded Christmas season schedule has most clubs playing four times over nine days continues on Tuesday with a full list of matches.

In Scotland, Dundee United opened up a slight bit of daylight at the top of the Premier Division with a 2-1 victory over Hibernian which put it two points in front.

Partick Thistle lost ground by drawing 1-1 against bottom club Motherwell. Aberdeen also fell back slightly with its scoreless draw against Hearts but is still third.

The big news from Scotland was that Glasgow Rangers finally moved ahead of its arch-rival, Celtic, by defeating St. Mirren, as Celtic was dropping a 1-0 decision to Morton.

British soccer results

English League

Division One

Bolton 3 Man. Utd. 0 (played

Friday)

Chelsea 0 Bristol C. 0
Coventry 3 Everton 2
Derby Co. 0 Villa 0
Leeds 3 Middlesbrough 1
Liverpool vs. Wolves postponed

Man. City 0 Forest 0
Norwich vs. QPR postponed

Tottenham 0 Arsenal 5
Division Two

Bristol R. 0 Stoke 0

Cambridge 0 Palace 0

Cardiff 2 Fulham 0

Charlton 0 Brighton 3

Leicester C. 1 Preston N.E. 1

Newcastle 3 Burnley 1

Notts Co. 1 Sunderland 1

Orient 2 Millwall 1

Blackburn Rovers vs. Oldham Athletic, Luton Town vs. West Ham, Wrexham vs. Sheffield United postponed

Division Three

Colchester 0 Watford 1

Lincoln 0 Chesterfield 1

Shrewsbury 3 Swansea 0

Southend 1 Brentford 1

Division Four

Aldershot 3 Stockport 2

Bournemouth 1 Wimbledon 2

Crewe vs. Northampton postponed

Darlington 2 Scunthorpe 2



ARCHITECT: Irish international Liam Brady, whose midfield domination of Osvaldo Ardiles was instrumental in Arsenal's 5-0 defeat of Spurs Saturday.

Referees should defend decisions, UEFA says

BERNE, Dec. 23 (R)—Soccer referees should be more willing to defend themselves against criticism, an article in the latest European Football Union (UEFA) quarterly bulletin says.

For years most national football associations have barred referees from public discussion. "But there are many instances where criticism of the referee can be defused or averted by a word of explanation at the right moment," the UEFA report said.

The article, a summary of a talk given at a recent UEFA referee's course in Vienna, says it is wrong for referees to have no contact with press or public—especially now that television, and slow-motion replays of incidents in games, have increased the critical pressure on referees.

"The referee should not go looking for contacts with the press but he can still do a great deal to help improve the referees' general image and reputation. Referees have nothing to hide," the article added.

England X1 hits out

England spin worries South Australia team

ADELAIDE, Australia, Dec. 23 (AP)—Middlesex off-spinner John Embrey had South Australia struggling at three for 74 in its second innings at stumps on the second day of the three-day match against England at Adelaide Oval Saturday.

England, in reply to South Australia's first innings score of seven for 241, had closed its innings at tea with a total of five for 234—a deficit of seven runs.

With only one day's play remaining, South Australia must make an immediate attack on the scoring and Derek Randall added dash and colour with his 47 runs which took 71 minutes and included seven fours.

Spurs' Chicago gremlin sleeps

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP)—Finally the San Antonio Spurs may want to remember the windy city.

Since joining the National Basketball Association two years ago, the Spurs had failed to win in four trips to Chicago. But that futile streak ended Friday night when they whipped the Bulls, 103-93, with George Gervin scoring 33 points and Larry Kenon adding 23.

"We were definitely up for this one," said San Antonio center Billy Paultz, who held Chicago's Artis Gilmore to eight points in the final two periods after a 16-point first half, although Gilmore pulled down a career-high 28 rebounds.

"I wouldn't call this a great thrill," Paultz conceded, "but it was something we wanted badly. Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington were the only cities we had never won in. Now that's down to two."

With our best wishes for the New Year

We announce that the following are now available.

- Foster Refrigerators & Freezers in different sizes
- Storage rooms for Refrigeration, ready for installation where required.
- Water-coolers "ESKIMO" 20 - 40 - 120 Gallons 2 & 3 taps



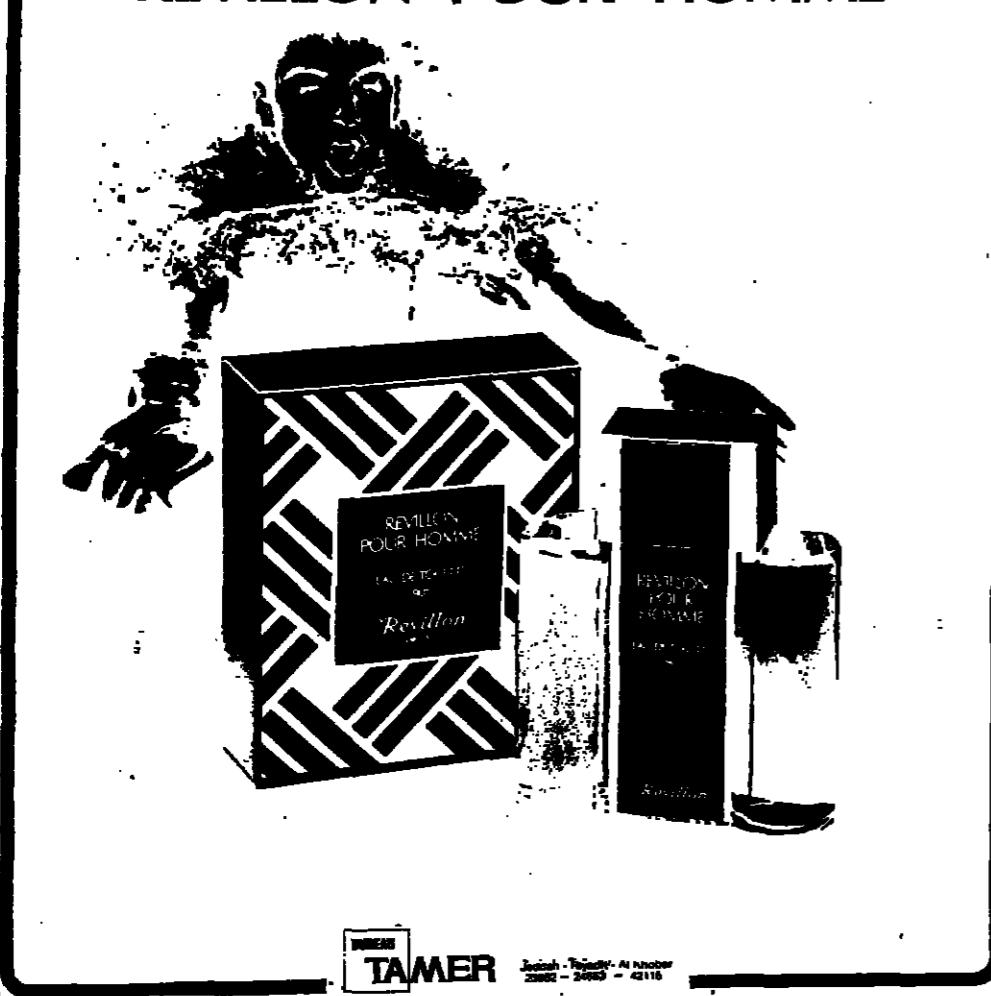
- For Schools, Offices and Mosques
- One year Guarantee
- Six month Maintenance
- Immediate Delivery

Our clients who ordered Refrigeration rooms in Khamis Misheit, Gizzan, Al-Namas, Jeddah may now collect their orders.

For more information contact:-

THE COMMERCIAL CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT & ECONOMICS
P.O. Box. 1210 Tel: 45487/29146 - Jeddah.

REILLON POUR HOMME



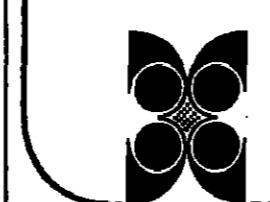
ANNOUNCEMENT

It is notified for the information of all concerned that for the purpose of annual closing of Accounts for the year 1978 all the branches of

BANK AL-JAZIRA
will remain closed for public dealing on Sunday the 31st December, 1978 corresponding 2nd Safar 1399.
We avail of this opportunity to offer our heartiest greetings for the New Year.

BRANCHES : 7
Jeddah (3), Mecca, Riyadh, Dammam, Medina.
HEAD OFFICE
P.O. Box: 6277. Tel: 32888. 41814. Jeddah.

For manpower replenishment from India contact government approved recruiting agents



BAVA ENTERPRISES

POST BOX NO: 171,
BOMBAY 400 001, INDIA.

PHONE : 256788
CABLE : BAVENTERS

TELEX : 11-2614 BAVA IN.

PROPRIETOR : AHMED M. BAVA.

LICENSE NO : P-32/366/248-OEC.

Rusi Ghista

Japan urges economic summit

TOKYO, Dec. 23 (R) — Japanese Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira has sent letters to government leaders of six major Western industrial countries inviting them to Tokyo for an economic summit next June, the foreign ministry announced Saturday.

It said the invitations were sent to President Carter, Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, British Prime

Minister James Callaghan, Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and European Common Market Commission President Roy Jenkins.

Officials said Ohira said he hoped that Japan would host the fifth economic summit in Tokyo next June.

They said the exact date for the meeting was yet to be fixed.

Three preparatory meetings are expected to be held in Tokyo, the United States and

Europe before the next summit.

Ministry sources said Australia's wish to take part in the summit, to be held for the first time in the Pacific Asian region, would be discussed in the preparatory meetings.

They said world currency problems would be a key issue along with relations between developed and developing countries and energy issues.

Iran boosts oil output

TEHRAN, Dec. 23 (R) — Iran's oil production Friday averaged 3.4 million barrels, about 300,000 barrels more than the previous day, a spokesman for the state-owned National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) said.

Oil experts Friday also increased slightly to 2.7 million barrels from 2.5 million barrels on Thursday.

But the figures are still well below Iran's normal daily output of 6.5 million barrels before industrial action for more pay and in support of a political campaign against the Shah hit the oilfields.

Production levels have been rising with more employees returning to work under the threat from the military administration.

The spokesman also said technicians were repairing a pipeline rupture which occurred Friday, but he said he did not know if it had affected operations.

EEC calls for talks on OPEC's price hike

STUTTGART, West Germany, Dec. 23 (R) — European Common Market Commissioner Guido Brunner Saturday called on the oil-producing countries to meet the West and Japan to discuss what he called the insupportable new oil price increase.

Dr. Brunner, the EEC's energy commissioner, said in a radio interview: "Nobody is served by price increases if they cannot be borne by the market."

He told the "Sueddeutsche Rundfunk" that a conference should be held to take action on oil prices. The Common Market, the United States and Japan should tell the oil producers their price rise of 14.5 per cent in 1979 could not be borne in such a short period.

Dr. Brunner said the European Commission was trying to persuade the oil producers to forego a further price increase in 1980 and reconsider the rise planned for 1979.

Dr. Brunner said: "It is a question of doing everything jointly to shore up the dollar, give the European Monetary

System a good starting chance and promote the fight against inflation in the Western world."

This would be a theme of next month's Western summit in the French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe, he said.

Dr. Brunner said it was in the interest of oil producers and buyers to strengthen the monetary and economic situation.

He said the EEC commission had been forced to revise its goals for extending nuclear energy resources because of political discussions on building atomic power stations.

A brake on investment of seven billion dollars meant that only about half the nuclear energy production planned for 1985 could now be expected.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

	Cash	Time
U.S. Dollar	3.35	3.35
Pound Sterling	6.75	6.75
Deutsche Mark (100)	181.00	181.00
Swiss F (100)	204.50	204.50
French F (100)	79.50	79.00
Italian Lira (1000)	4.15	4.05
Lebanese Lira (100)	112.50	113.25
Syrian Lira (100)	81.00	86.15
Egyptian Pound	4.50	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.30	12.25
Jordanian Dinar	11.40	11.32
Emirates Dirham (100)	87.50	86.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	87.50	86.80
Bahraini Dinar	8.75	8.64
Iraqi Riyal (100)	46.00	46.50
Iraqi Dinar	9.85	—
Yemen Riyal (100)	74.00	73.30
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	79.00	86.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	41.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.00
Gold kg	23.200	—
10 Tolas bar	2.710	—
Silver kg bar	665	—

Supplied by Al-Rajhi Company for Currency Exchange and Commerce, Gabel St., Jeddah, Tel: 23815

LAST OPPORTUNITY FOR TRAVEL TO KARACHI BY SHIP

SHIP'S NAME	DEPARTURE JEDDAH	WILL ACCEPT
SAFINA-E-ARAB	25.12.1978	ONLY PILGRIMS
SAFINA-E-ABID	27.12.1978	ONLY PILGRIMS
M.V. SHAMS	6.1.1979	PILGRIMS/PASSENGERS
SAFINA-E-ARAB	13.1.1979	PILGRIMS/PASSENGERS
SAFINA-E-ABID	15.1.1979	PILGRIMS/PASSENGERS
M.V. SHAMS	22.1.1979	ONLY PASSENGERS
SAFINA-E-ARAB	4.2.1979	ONLY PASSENGERS

Pilgrims failed to return to Pakistan by their respective vessels are advised to leave the country latest by last sailing of Safina-e-Abid on 15.1.1979.

Passengers intending to travel to Karachi are requested to contact us after 27th December for booking in pilgrim/passenger ship.

WAO

For further information please contact:

مؤسسة الاتصالات البحرية العربية السعودية

THE SHIPPING CORPORATION OF SAUDI ARABIA

GENERAL AGENTS:

PAKISTAN SHIPPING CORPORATION,

P.O. BOX 1691, JEDDAH, PHONE 23931 & 25717.



PORTS AUTHORITY

KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT
DAMMAM

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

CHANGES PAST 48 HRS.

DATE: 23.1.1979/23.12.1978

TIME: 0700 HRS.

Vessels Name of Working the Ship Agent Type of cargo Arrival Date

Vessels	Name of Working the Ship	Agent	Type of cargo	Arrival Date
1 ASIA PALMA N	GULF	GENEKAL	GENERAL	30.12.1978
2 COLUMBIA LAND	LACC	CONTAINERS	23.12.1978	
4 TARONGA	BARBER	GENERAL	23.12.1978	
7 MING HONESTY	KANOO	LARGE GEN.	23.12.1978	
11 MALDIVES MARU	KANOO	LARGE MEAT	23.12.1978	
12 MALDIVE ENSIGN	URBI	RIGE GEN	23.12.1978	
17 TABUK	KANOO	GENERAL	23.12.1978	
18 NADIA	KANOO	L. LEMENT	23.12.1978	
19 BRILLIANT STAR	ALSAADA	STEEL GEN	23.12.1978	
20 KEELEY	SEA	GENERAL	23.12.1978	
21 WESTERN WAVE (DB)	KUREZA	LULL CEMENT	23.12.1978	
26 FLORIDA MARU	GULF	PIPES	19.12.1978	

SCP

INTER BARGE NO 1 KANOO BARBER MACH PARTS STEEL BARS

21.12.1978

Vessels Working at Anchorage

PRIMULA S.M.C. BULK CEMENT

23.12.1978

Recent Arrivals

STRAHMAI	KANOO	HULL CONTNS	GEN CONTAINERS	21.12.1978
SEA STAR	KANOO	GEN CONTAINERS	MACHINERY PARTS	21.12.1978
CANADIAN EXPRESS	KANOO	GENERAL	STEEL BARS	21.12.1978
INTER BARGE NO 1 KANOO	KANOO	GENERAL	VEHICLES	21.12.1978
BLACK FORD	KANOO	GENERAL	CONTAINERS	21.12.1978
MALDIVE ENSIGN	URBI	RICE GEN	GENERAL	21.12.1978
MARLENE'S	KANOO	GENERAL	FROZEN MEAT	21.12.1978
ISOKAZE MARU	KANOO	GENERAL	GENERAL	22.12.1978
FORBEN MAERSK	KANOO	GENERAL	STEEL GEN	22.12.1978
TARONGA	BARBER	GENERAL	GENERAL	22.12.1978
BRILLIANT STAR	ALSAADA	GENERAL	GENERAL	22.12.1978

Vessels Expected With in 24 Hours

GULF LANCELL HELLENIC INNOVATOR APOSTOLOS SUN EMERALD GULF SALLE ALIREZA

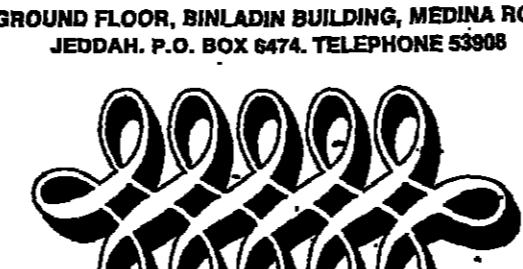
TONNAGE DISCHARGED: 7,056

WAITING TIME: NIL

Note: importers having goods on the above mentioned ships should complete their formalities as soon as possible. For any inquiries please contact the Shipping Agents.

IMMEDIATE PRICES AND DEALING FACILITIES

A COMPREHENSIVE INVESTMENT SERVICE COVERING THE WORLD FINANCIAL MARKETS
PORTFOLIO ADVICE FOR PRIVATE CLIENTS & INSTITUTIONS
DEALING IN GOLD, DIAMONDS, BONDS, COMMODITIES STOCKS AND PROPERTY



GROUND FLOOR, BINLADIN BUILDING, MEDINA ROAD

JEDDAH, P.O. BOX 6474. TELEPHONE 53908

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Municipality of Onaizah	Supply of municipality's agricultural requirements as per specifications	6	30	Jan. 21
" "	Painting of electric poles in Onaizah town	3	20	Jan. 21
" "	Water pipes and joints, for the second time	4	20	Jan. 21
" "	Supply of uniforms for laborers	7	50	Jan. 21
Municipality of Jubail	Fencing of two graveyards on Dammam road close to the girls' school	xx	150	Jan. 18
Department of Zakat and Revenue	Supply of vehicle and office furniture	1	xx	Dec. 25
SAUDITEL Taif	Desires to purchase a plot of land with an area of 20,000 to 25,000 sq. meters behind the central jail, for the construction of a cables store and garage	xx	xx	Jan. 13



PORTS AUTHORITY

JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF
23RD DECEMBER 1978

1-VESSELS DISCHARGING BERTH V

B.C.

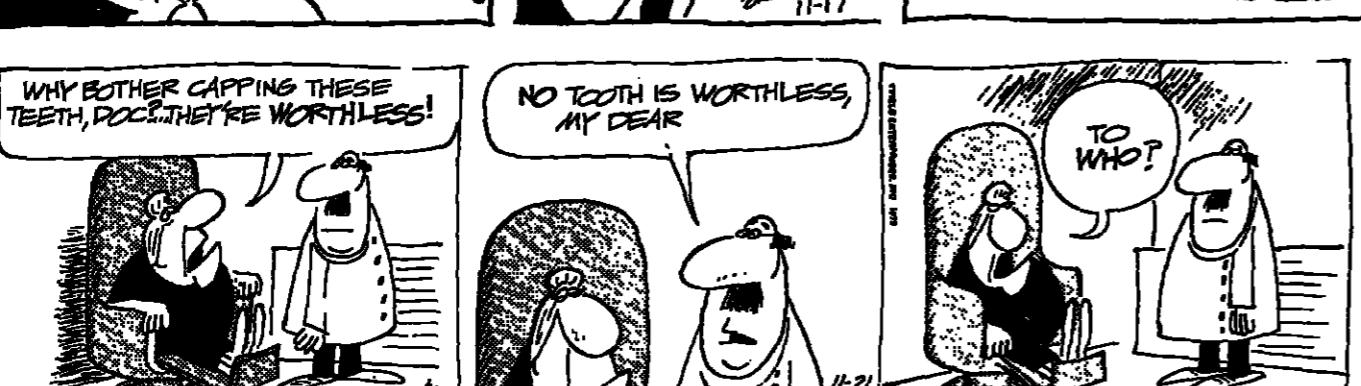
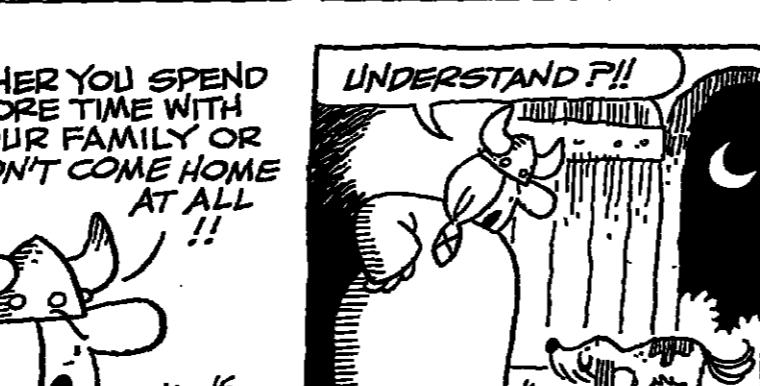
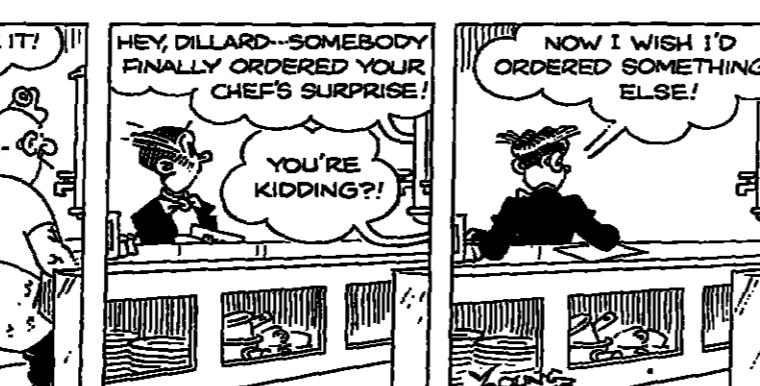
SMALL SOCIETY

BLONDIE

BEETLE BAILEY

HAGAR

WIZARD



ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

SUNDAY	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:36	7:03	12:21	3:31	5:48	7:18
Medina	5:41	7:07	12:29	3:27	5:43	7:13
Nejd	5:01	6:37	11:25	2:04	5:10	6:40

DHRAHAN TV

5:30 Children's Show
4:41 Dennis the Menace
5:07 4 Winds to Adventure
5:29 Nancy Drew
6:15 On Our Own
6:39 Heartline
7:03 Rhoda
7:28 Soccer
8:19 Lavern & Shirley
8:42 Famous Film

Seasame Street:
The Holiday Story
The Island Time Forgot
Will the Real Santa Claus
Julie's Big Bust
10 Exercise - Who Needs It
The Second Time Around
Stoke Vs. Crystal Palace
Angels of Mercy
The Greatest Thing that Almost Happened

WEATHER

Nice weather will prevail in most parts of Saudi Arabia, cool in the evening, especially in the northern province and parts of the central where frost is expected from night to dawn.

Winds will blow mostly in various directions at slow to moderate speed, becoming southerly in the northwestern areas and parts of the western province raising dust and sand occasionally.

Sea conditions in territorial waters will be moderate to choppy.

* * * * * Saturday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	—	—	Tabuk	20	05
Jeddah	31	15	Al-Jauf	21	02
Riyadh	27	07	Rathia	18	01
Dhahran	24	07	Bisha	23	03
Medina	25	09	Yanbu	30	13
Taif	23	07	Abha	20	02

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission
1:00 Opening
1:01 The Holy Quran
1:05 Gems of Guidance
1:10 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
1:15 S.A. Historical Notes
1:30 Off the Record
2:00 Your Choice
2:30 On Islam
2:40 Islam the Divine Truth
2:55 Music
3:00 NEWS
3:10 Press Review
3:15 Music
3:20 My Music
3:50 Close Down

Evening Transmission
10:00 Opening
10:01 The Holy Quran
10:05 Message to the Faithful
10:10 Light Music
10:15 NEWS
10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
10:30 Music Worldwide
11:00 Champions of Solidarity
11:10 Press Review
11:15 The Sixties
11:45 The World of Guitar
12:00 Islamic Contributions
12:15 The Songwriters
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
12:59 Close Down

BBC

Morning Transmission
8:00 World News
10:09 "Twenty-Four Hours" News Summary
11:30 "Sarah Ward
12:45 World Today
9:00 Newscast
9:30 "Opera Star
10:00 World News
10:09 "Twenty-Four Hours" News Summary
10:30 "Sarah Ward
10:45 "Something to Show You"
11:00 World News
11:09 Reflections
11:15 Piano Style
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978
12:00 World News
12:09 British Press Review
12:15 World Today
12:30 Financial News
12:40 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myatt Request Show
13:00 "The Pleasure's Yours" News Summary
13:15 Ulster in Focus
13:30 Discovery
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabets of Musical Curios
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newsreel
2:45 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News
4:09 "Twenty-Four Hours" News Summary

Evening Transmission
1:15 Ulster in Focus
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabets of Musical Curios
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newsreel
2:45 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News
4:09 "Twenty-Four Hours" News Summary

Midnight Transmission
12:15 Talkabout
12:45 Nature
1:00 Notebook
1:09 World Today
1:25 Financial News
1:35 Book Choice
1:40 Reflections
1:45 Sports Round-up
2:00 World News
2:09 Commentary
2:15 The Face of England

VOA

P.M.
8:00 News Roundup:
Reports: Actualities:
Opinion; Analyses
8:30 Dateline
News Summary
9:00 Special English:
News; Feature: The Making of a Nation
News Summary
9:30 Music USA:
(Standards)
10:00 News Roundup:
Reports: Actualities
Opinion; Analyses

News Summary
10:30 VOA Magazine:
America; Science;
Culture; Letter
11:00 Special English: News
11:30 Music USA:
(Jazz)

VOA WORLD REPORT
Midnight
12:00 News..newsmakers' voices..correspondents reports..background features..media comments..news analyses

Dennis the Menace



Rickey's

Believe It or Not!

SERVANTS IN HOMES IN THE U.S. IN THE 1800'S WERE EXPECTED TO WORK FROM 6AM TO 11PM.



MELVYN DOUGLAS
THE ACTOR HAS WORKED AS A POLICE OFFICER IN CHICAGO, BUT LOST HIS JOB WHEN HE FELL ASLEEP IN A POLICE STATION WHILE A BIG STORM WAS BREAKING.

"THE RATTLE OF A RATTLESNAKE ACTUALLY SOUNDS MORE LIKE A BUZZ."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Cavalryman's

DOWN

1 Less risky

2 Working

3 Unparalleled

4 Boot string

5 New Orleans

6 jazz mecca

7 "The

8 Magic -

9 Ending

10 For insist

11 Horse deity

12 Vaporous

13 Kind of

check

14 Freight

15 Bar order

16 Lee man

17 Sort

18 Maggot

19 English poet

20 Portent

21 Island: Fr.

22 Tell it

- in Gath

23 Old Eng-

ish

24 Goddess:

25 Lat.

26 Suffix

with inner

27 Dido -

28 Still

29 Sky Altar

30 Durys

31 Medit. is-

land: abstr.

32 Meat cut

33 You Ger-

34 Dramatic

segment

35 Snare

36 Kissman of

the Eskimo

37 Terminally

44 Sicilian

hot spot

Yesterday's Answer

GAMES

ROBERT

BOBBIE

TOWN

ESTATE

ADEL

TRAIL

DRIVES

SALES

CHEE

ASTRA

MATS

NIERA

GAIN

IMPL

PLUNGED

MIT

OIL

WAR

INGRID

RITA

SALTING

BATTIN

WHEN

TREAT

Yesterdays

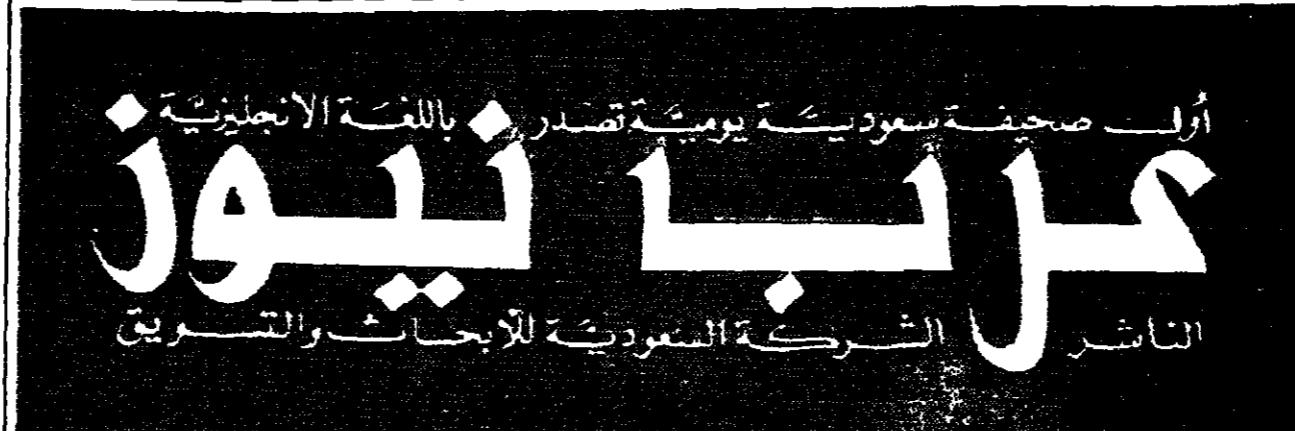
Answer

CROSSWORD

Puzzles

SOLVED

SAUDI TRANSPORT BETON
For lab-tested ready-mixed
CONCRETE
Any quantities—any specifications—
pumped anywhere—competitive prices
Call any time:
49801-44947
ANBAH-TSEKOURAS GROUP



NOW... AVAILABLE
SULPHATE RESISTING CEMENT TYPE V
AT COMPETITIVE PRICES FOR
IMMEDIATE DELIVERY EITHER FROM
PORT OR TO YOUR SITE

Contact:
A.M. BAROOM
P.O.BOX 1346 TEL: 22366-25721

PAGE 14

Late News

Peking, Taiwan put arms at head of shopping lists

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (Agencies)—China has acquired two late-model MiG-23 fighters in a quiet military exchange with Egypt, U.S. government sources disclosed Saturday.

The sources said China may have obtained the planes in a bid to copy the advanced Soviet technology it has been denied for years.

In Taipei, Taiwan's chief of the general staff urged the United States Saturday to reconsider its refusal to sell F-16 and F-18 aircraft to Taiwan. Without the equipment, he said, Peking could become Taipei's military superior in two to three years.

If America again refused, said chief of the general staff, Adm. Samong Chang-chin, Taiwan would take its military shopping list elsewhere.

W. Bank bomb injures Arab

TEL AVIV, Dec. 23 (R) — An Arab youth was seriously hurt with chest injuries when a bomb exploded in the crowded main street of Kalkilya in the occupied West Bank Saturday, police said.

Security forces cordoned off the area, in which hundreds of Israelis had been doing their Saturday shopping.

Several dozen suspects were arrested, eyewitnesses said.

Political clashes

21 killed in south Turkey rioting

ANKARA, Dec. 23 (R) — Twenty-one people were killed and at least 150 injured in rioting in southern Turkey Saturday, Turkish Radio reported.

Local news agencies said right-wing crowds seized control of two districts of the town Kahramanmaraş, 500 kilometers from Ankara.

The rioting followed inci-

"We will look to all the world, (to see if) it is possible to get weapons systems from other countries—only from the free world, of course," he told a news conference.

In Washington, the sources said it is not clear whether China's new planes are air-to-air fighters or bombing models.

The sources said China received the MiG-23s along with some late-model Soviet air defense missiles in what they believed was an exchange for Soviet spare parts Egypt needed.

Two killed in Taiwan earthquake

TAIPEI, Dec. 23 (AP) — A strong earthquake hit northeastern Taiwan Saturday evening and police reported two deaths and several injuries.

The Taiwan Central Weather Bureau measured the force of the earthquake at seven on the Richter scale. Its epicenter was located about 130 kilometers off the island's eastern coast, five kilometers below the surface of the sea.

The deaths were of a woman and her child, killed when a new three-story building collapsed. Three other children were injured.

dents in the town Friday, in which three people were killed when right-wingers tried to stop a funeral procession for left-wing teachers shot dead in separate incidents.

Tahsin Suylu, governor of Kahramanmaraş, was quoted by the radio as saying that troops had been moved in from nearby towns.

Interior Minister Irfan Ozaydinli and Gendarmerie Com-

mander Gen. Sedat Celasun were flying to the trouble spot.

A number of fires were reported burning in the riot areas.

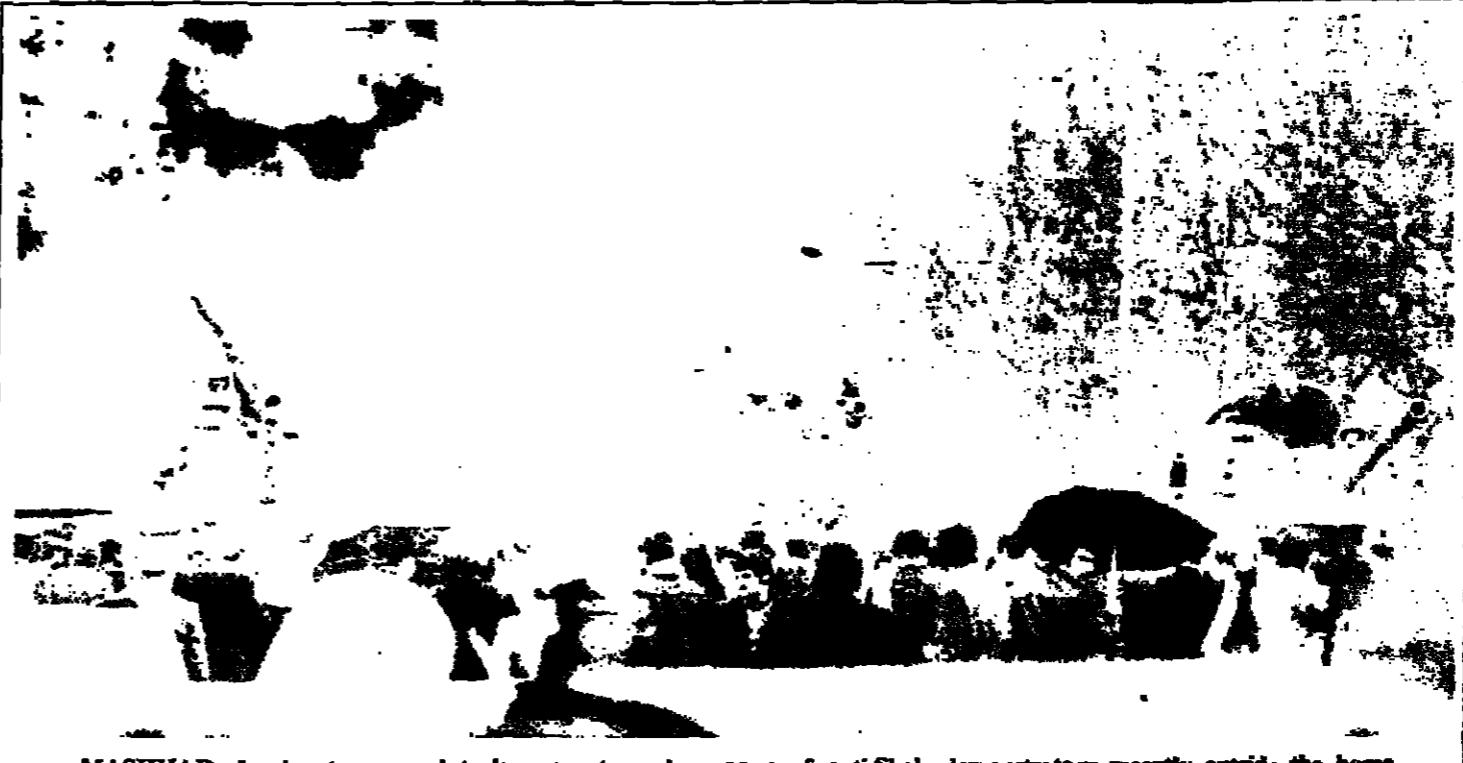
Reports reaching Ankara said large numbers of rightists, wearing masks, attacked the homes and business premises of left-wing sympathizers.

Several buildings were badly damaged, including the local offices of the ruling Republican People's Party.

Vance

Brzezinski Attacked
In a related development the Soviet Communist Party daily newspaper "Pravda" Saturday published an attack on U.S. presidential adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski, accusing him of trying to ensure American global superiority.

The commentary, issued by



MASHAD: Iranian troops and tanks move toward a group of anti-Shah demonstrators recently outside the home of Ayatollah Shirazi in Mashhad. Protests continued Saturday (see story page one).

Light plant is burden

Cleveland salvage plan hits complications

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 23 (Agencies) — A last-minute snag threatened to undermine a compromise plan approved by the City Council to save Cleveland from bankruptcy.

Cleveland, the largest city in Ohio and the 17th largest in the United States, defaulted last weekend on repaying \$15.5 million owed to six local banks.

The council has adopted a compromise plan by Mayor Dennis Kucinich to hold a referendum on increasing the city payroll tax by half and selling the debt-ridden municipal light plant.

But the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, which two years ago offered \$158.5 million for the plant, says that in the meantime the plant's system has deteriorated. It is not clear whether it still wants it, or at what price.

And city finance director Joseph Tegreene said the two measures approved by the city council are not enough to satisfy bankers holding the defaulted loans. He said the banks insist that revenue from an ex-

isting one per cent payroll tax be pledged on the loans that are now a week overdue.

Mayor Dennis Kucinich told a news conference later he agreed with Tegreene and would call the council back into session Dec. 26 to pledge the present payroll tax against the

bank loans.

Kucinich said if the council and the banks agree, he could cancel about 75 per cent of the 2,000 city employee layoffs he ordered earlier to take effect Jan. 2.

The measure calling for a vote on selling the plant, ap-

proved by a 27-6 margin, pro-

poses that the city consummate the sale of the plant for \$158.5 million within 60 days or negotiate the sale to anyone within the next 120 days at an agreeable price.

By a 32-1 margin the panel passed the other measure, au-
thorizing a referendum on whether Cleveland residents want half a percentage point added to their current payroll tax, a measure Kucinich estimates would raise \$38 million extra next year.

Cleveland became the first major city since the depression of the 1930s to default on a major debt when Kucinich and the council could not agree on a pay-out plan acceptable to the banks.

Although the city could face bankruptcy early in 1980, Ohio Gov. James Rhodes has said he does not think the state legislature, which reconvenes Jan. 2, will let that happen.

seek a peaceful solution to the 100-year-old conflict.

But Argentinian representative Julio Cesar Carasales told an emergency meeting of the OAS Permanent Council that the Beagle Channel issue should not be debated at the OAS while both countries are still negotiating an agreement.

Both Argentina and Chile have agreed to a proposal by Pope John Paul II to mediate in the dispute. A Vatican en-
voy will shortly travel to Argentina and Chile to seek a solution to the conflict.

Visibility was less than 100 yards, and flights were diverted to Shannon in Ireland, Prestwick in Scotland and Manchester in northern England.

Hundreds of holiday passengers spent the night sleeping in airport lounges when their flights were postponed.

Pretoria agrees to U.N. talks on Namibia

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 23 (AP) — South Africa announced readiness Saturday to resume talks with the United Nations on U.N.-supervised elections leading to the independence of Southwest Africa (Namibia) by the end of September.

South African Foreign Minister Koetse F. Botha in a letter transmitted Friday night and made public Saturday told U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim that leaders of Southwest Africa elected last week had agreed to seek international recognition for the territory's independence through U.N. supervision of pre-election elections.

He said he and Prime Minister Pieter W. Botha had reached the agreement with the leaders in Windhoek, Southwest Africa, and wanted Waldheim to send his special representative to Southwest Africa.

The foreign minister and Waldheim should send his representative back to Namibia to settle all the questions by Jan. 31.

It is recognized that the South African administrator general should be in charge during the transition but that the U.N. representative should have a veto on his election arrangements.

Fogbound Heathrow shuts down

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP) — Flights due to land at Heathrow Airport had to be diverted Saturday because of thick fog.

Visibility was less than 100 yards, and flights were diverted to Shannon in Ireland, Prestwick in Scotland and Manchester in northern England.

Hundreds of holiday passengers spent the night sleeping in airport lounges when their flights were postponed.

From page one

Washington, Dec. 23 (R) — The Organization of American States (OAS) has postponed a debate on the threat of war over the Beagle Channel dispute while a Vatican envoy mediates between Argentina and Chile.

Chile called Friday for an emergency meeting of the OAS, claiming the dispute over the group of tiny islands in the channel could cause war with Argentina.

And city finance director Joseph Tegreene said the two measures approved by the city council are not enough to satisfy bankers holding the defaulted loans.

Argentina and Chile have agreed to a proposal by Pope John Paul II to mediate in the dispute. A Vatican en-

voy will shortly travel to Argentina and Chile to seek a solution to the conflict.

Although the city could face bankruptcy early in 1980, Ohio Gov. James Rhodes has said he does not think the state legislature, which reconvenes Jan. 2, will let that happen.

Air

the spot where the jet hit the water, said he couldn't understand how any one got out at all.

"It went down so fast," the trawler skipper said, adding that no one had time to put on a life jacket.

There were emotional scenes as anxious relatives waited in the airport for news and then rushed to the port to watch as the 21 survivors were landed.

Punta Raisi Airport, walled on two sides by steep mountains and bordering the Mediterranean, has long been a target of criticism from pilots who maintain that its installations are not adequate.

But there was no suggestion Saturday that the crash was caused because of airport installations.

The crash area was Saturday buoyed off to navigation as the Italian navy prepared to send in a submarine and position a specially equipped vessel to recover the wreckage.

Penalize Us

If we fail to fulfil your supply of fresh and super-fine quality cement on schedule.

JEDDAH CEMENT CO. LTD.
TEL: 56178 TELEX: 40122 REDEC SJ.
JEDDAH SAUDI ARABIA

Save time...

and travel... **RIYADH HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT**
are pleased to announce for the convenience of their valued clients the opening of new Showroom for Office machines and equipments in Al-Qahtani Building on Prince Fahad Street (Sahrah Steen) before the Fly-over on the city side. Jeddah - Head office in western region Tel: 42016

For further information please call 25771 - 29035.

Head Office:
Al-Riyadh
Tel: 22753

Branches:
Al-Dammam
Tel: 25943
Mecca
Tel: 63243
Al-Khobar
Tel: 45879

